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OF THE

FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION

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Maryland Annual Conference

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HELD AT

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FACULTY OF INSTRUCTION.

PREPARATORY COURSE.

- S. B. SOUTHERLAND. { *Watson's Institutes.*
 { *Evidences of Christianity.*
- J. T. LASSELL..... { *English Grammar; The Holy Scriptures; New*
 { *Testament; Synopsis of at least Twenty Pages of*
 { *Letter Paper.*
- J. L. MILLS..... { *Constitution and Discipline of the M. P. Church;*
 { *Miller on Clerical Habits and Manners; Contrast,*
 { *by L. W. Bates, D. D.*

FIRST YEAR'S CLASS.

- J. T. MURRAY..... { *Watson's Institutes; Doctrines of Christianity; At-*
 { *tributes of God.*
- J. T. WARD..... { *Mosheim's Church History—1st to 5th Century; Holy*
 { *Scriptures—from Genesis to Psalms, Synopsis 20pp.*
- B. F. BENSON..... { *Homiletics; Theory of Preaching, by Dr. Austin*
 { *Phelps—entire book to be read.*

STUDENTS—John M. Gill, J. L. Duncan.

SECOND YEAR'S CLASS.

- E. R. MCGREGOR { *Watson's Institutes; Doctrines of Christianity; Ori-*
 { *ginal Sin; Holy Scriptures—Psalms to Close of Old*
 { *Testament.*
- J. D. KINZER..... { *Watson's Institutes; Redemption; Homiletics.*
 { *Phelps, from 1st to 20th chapter inclusive.*
- S. T. GRAHAM..... { *Mosheim's Church History—5th to 12th Century.*
- R. S. NORRIS..... { *Watson's Institutes; Institutions of Christianity.*

STUDENTS—John S. Bowers, J. W. Balderston.

THIRD YEAR'S CLASS.

- W. M. STRAYER..... { *Watson's Institutes; Moral Law.*
- H. C. CUSHING..... { *Butler's Analogy; Powell on Succession.*
- W. S. HAMMOND..... { *Mosheim's Church History, from 12th Century to*
 { *Close of Volume.*
- JOHN M. HOLMES.... { *Wayland's Moral Science; Homiletics; Phelps, from*
 { *20th chapter to Close of Volume.*

Students expected to study with diligence the whole Word of God, and to present a synopsis of not less than twenty pages.

The Faculty meets Tuesday before Conference, at 3 P. M., to examine Students, and at 7.30 P. M. for business.

Correct answers to two-thirds of the questions asked will be required to pass a candidate, either for the itinerancy or for the first, second, or third year of the course, or for orders. The two-thirds will be marked 70. Answers over two-thirds, but less than 100 (the maximum) will be marked 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, in accordance with the professor's estimate of the proficiency. All questions answered, or all less three, will be marked 100. And all getting 100 will be so reported to the Conference.

S. B. SOUTHERLAND, *President.*

W. S. HAMMOND, *Secretary.*

Roll of the Fifty-Fourth Conference.

MINISTERIAL.

No.	Reg.		Received.	Ordained.
1	32	Augustus Webster,	1832	1833
2	38	J. W. Everist,	1833	1834
3	57	J. K. Nichols,	1836	1839
4	61	J. R. Nichols,	1838	1840
5	68	D. F. Ewell,	1839	1839
6	76	J. M. Elderdice,	1840	1842
7	77	L. W. Bates,	1840	1842
8	78	J. T. Ward,	1841	1843
9	79	S. B. Southerland,	1841	1843
10	80	A. Baker,	1841	1842
11	86	J. J. Murray,	1842	1845
12	92	P. L. Wilson,	1842	1843
13	95	W. T. Dumm,	1843	1845
14	97	R. S. Norris,	1843	1844
15	102	D. W. Bates,	1843	1846
16	111	D. A. Shermer,	1844	1846
17	121	David Wilson,	1845	1847
18	124	H. J. Day,	1846	1849
19	128	T. D. Valiant,	1846	1846
20	130	J. A. McFaden,	1847	1849
21	132	Jesse Shreeve,	1847	1849
22	138	J. H. Ellegood,	1850	1851
23	140	E. J. Drinkhouse,	1850	1852
24	141	J. Clay,	1850	1852
25	142	W. S. Hammond,	1851	1853
26	143	J. T. Murray,	1851	1853
27	145	Thomas Lee,	1851	1852
28	147	C. H. Littleton,	1852	1853
29	149	H. C. Cushing,	1853	1853
30	151	James Thompson,	1853	1856
31	155	A. D. Dick,	1854	1856
32	159	W. G. Holmes,	1855	1856
33	163	B. F. Benson,	1857	1859
34	164	W. M. Strayer,	1858	1860
35	167	J. E. Maloy,	1859	1861
36	168	J. E. T. Ewell,	1859	1860
37	169	S. A. Hoblitzell,	1859	1860
38	170	C. T. Cochel,	1859	1860
39	173	J. L. Mills,	1860	1862
40	178	J. W. Charlton,	1860	1862
41	180	J. W. Gray,	1861	1863

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No.	Reg.		Received.	Ordained.
42	182	J. B. Jones,	1861	1862
43	184	W. F. Livingston,	1861	1863
44	190	J. D. Kinzer,	1863	1865
45	192	W. D. Litsinger,	1863	1865
46	194	S. T. Ferguson,	1864	1866
47	195	S. T. Graham,	1864	1866
48	198	R. S. Rowe,	1865	1865
49	200	J. M. Holmes,	1865	1867
50	201	A. T. Melvin,	1865	1867
51	204	A. W. Mather,	1866	1868
52	206	J. T. Lassell,	1866	1866
53	207	H. E. Miskimon,	1866	1868
54	208	C. M. Thompson,	1868	1870
55	209	D. L. Greenfield,	1868	1870
56	214	Thomas McCormick,	1869	1829
57	218	J. L. Straughn,	1870	1872
58	224	Henry Bruner,	1870	1872
59	225	F. T. Tagg,	1870	1871
60	226	W. A. Crouse,	1870	1870
61	228	W. J. Neepier,	1871	1873
62	229	R. L. Lewis,	1871	1873
63	230	A. A. Harryman,	1871	1873
64	231	W. J. Floyd,	1871	1871
65	232	J. G. Sullivan,	1871	1873
66	233	J. B. Butler,	1871	1873
67	234	J. L. Killgore,	1872	Tr.
68	235	E. R. McGregor,	1872	Tr.
69	236	A. D. Melvin,	1872	1874
70	237	F. T. Little,	1872	1873
71	238	S. B. Treadway,	1872	1874
72	239	T. O. Crouse,	1872	1874
73	240	J. M. Yingling,	1873	1875
74	241	W. R. Graham,	1873	1874
75	243	W. J. D. Lucas,	1873	1876
76	244	G. F. Farring,	1873	1876
77	245	F. H. Mullineaux,	1873	1876
78	246	J. A. Weigand,	1874	1876
79	247	A. J. Walter,	1874	1877
80	248	H. C. Stern,	1874	1877
81	249	G. Q. Bacchus,	1874	1877
82	250	R. T. Smith,	1874	1876
83	251	P. T. Hall,	1875	1878
84	252	W. W. White,	1875	1878
85	253	C. S. Arnett,	1875	1878
86	254	J. M. Sheridan,	1875	1877
87	255	C. B. Middleton,	1876	1879

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No.	Reg.		Received.	Ordained.
88	258	G. J. Smith,	1876	Tr.
89	259	S. R. Murray,	1876	1879
90	261	T. H. Lewis,	1876	1876
91	262	J. W. Trout,	1876	1879
92	263	R. W. Berryman,	1876	Tr.
93	265	S. J. Smith,	1877	1881
94	266	W. T. Valiant,	1877	1881
95	267	J. M. Brown,	1878	1881
96	268	A. D. Murray,	1879	1881
97	270	D. W. Anstine,	1879	1882
98	271	F. C. Klein,	1879	1881
99	272	T. E. Coulbourn,	1880	
100	273	W. F. Roberts,	1880	
101	274	J. L. Elderdice,	1880	
102	275	G. R. McCready,	1880	
103	277	W. H. Stone,	1880	Tr.
104	278	J. S. Bowers,	1881	
105	279	J. W. Balderston,	1881	
106	280	J. E. Nicholson,	1881	1875
107	281	E. O. Ewing,	1882	Tr.
108	282	John M. Gill,	1882	
109	283	J. L. Duncan,	1882	

LAY.

Accomac,	R. H. Pennewell.	Fawn Grove,	Joseph Barnett.
Alexandria,	J. L. Pettit.	Finksburg,	D. N. Hahn.
All Saints,		First Church,	M. Balderston.
Amelia,	J. Q. Eckels.	Franklin City,	W. J. M. Sharpley.
Anne Arundel,	T. Linthicum.	Frederick,	{ Jackson Day,
Baltimore,	Joshua Cain.		{ W. W. Walker.
Bedford,	John Deremer.	Frederick City,	
Belair,	S. N. Norris.	Georgetown,	Joseph Libbey.
Broadway,	James Bond.	Guilford,	
Cambridge,		Hampden,	Isaac Crowther.
Campbell,	P. M. Peerman.	Harper's Ferry,	S. V. Yantis.
Caroline,	C. W. Hobbs.	Harrington,	J. A. Smith.
Cecil,	Samuel Grey.	Howard,	{ J. H. Maynard,
Centreville,	J. O. Rasin.		{ Samuel Gaither.
Chesapeake,	J. F. Wheatley.	Hull-Street,	W. T. Clark.
Chester,	Henry Holcombe.	Jackson Grove,	
Chestertown,	John N. Dodd.	Jefferson,	C. F. Thomas.
Chincoteague,		Kennedyville,	W. J. Hurlock.
Clayton,	Edwin B. Downs.	Kent Island,	W. K. White.
Concord,	J. A. Shoemaker.	Laurel,	E. B. Riffin.
Crumpton,	L. S. Chew.	Leipsic,	T. P. Walls.
Cumberland,	J. R. Joy.	Liberty,	C. B. Withers.
Deer Creek,	John H. Grafton.	Lynchburg,	C. W. Button.
Dorchester,	S. S. Ewell.	Middlebrook,	
East Baltimore,	John G. Clarke.	Middleway,	Thomas Johnson.
Easton,	John Mason.	Milton,	W. N. Conoway.
ENicott City,		Newark,	Isaac P. Cox.
Eutaw,	P. G. Erdman.	Ninth-Street,	J. S. Topham.

LAY—CONTINUED.

N. Carolina Ave.,		Somerset,	John Coulbourn.
Pipe Creek,	Peter Baile.	South Baltimore,	T. S. Linthicum.
Pocomoke,	J. H. Dougherty.	Southside,	W. M. Stratton.
Pocomoke City,	J. D. A. Robinson.	Starr,	C. A. Benjamin.
Potomac,	Horatio Ball.	Stewartstown,	Daniel Sweeny.
Preston,	Aaron Wright.	Surry,	Charles Cox.
Quantico,	W. T. Downing.	Susquehanna,	Jarrett Gilbert.
Queen Anne's,	J. B. Thomas.	Sussex,	W. A. Warrington.
Rainsburg,		Talbot,	J. H. Leonard.
Rowlandsville,	J. T. McCullough.	Union,	G. W. Ellis.
St. James,	R. Nicholson.	Warwick,	W. H. Spry.
St. Luke,	J. G. Hervis.	Washington-St.,	Ed. Gilligan.
St. Michael's,	O. Hammond.	West Baltimore,	J. N. Gilbert.
Salisbury,	E. L. Williams.	Westminster,	W. L. Seabrook.
Seaford,	W. Ellis.	Whaleyville,	W. E. Sheppard.
Snow Hill,	F. P. Morris.	Wilmington,	J. W. Dill.

The following are the unstationed ministers and preachers in the Maryland District:

CHARGES.	MINISTERS.	PREACHERS.
Alexandria.....		Joseph W. Kirk.
Baltimore.....	{ Joseph B. Mitchell,	Wm. M. Through.
	{ Joshua Cain.	
Bedford.....	John Growden.	
Belair.....	A. H. Greenfield.	
Broadway.....		Emory W. Starr.
Caroline.....	John Irvin.	
Cecil.....		Sam'l B. Grey.
Centreville.....	Wm. E. Thompson.	
Chesapeake.....		Thos. H. Pinkind
Clayton.....		Sam'l J. Sparks.
Cumberland.....		Sam'l M. Cassen.
Fawn Grove.....		{ Thos. H. Wright,
		{ Thos. M. Cathcart.
Frederick.....	{ J. Day, G. H. Kindley,	
	{ T. Edwards, G. D.	
	{ Edmondston.	
Georgetown.....	{ Parker H. Sweet,	
	{ T. Remick.	
Hampden.....		{ Jacob Baughman,
		{ Isaac Crowther.
Howard.....	Z. M. Waters.	{ Richard Vansant,
Hull-Street.....	J. D. Bradford.	{ J. H. Maynard.
Kent Island.....		{ W. K. White,
		{ J. J. Taylor,
Laurel.....		{ J. E. C. Wright.
Leipsic.....		Edward L. Wolf.
Milton.....		{ John Sipple,
Newark.....	Luke Morris.	{ James Richardson.
Pocomoke City.....	Wm. Dale.	W. N. Conoway.
		{ Daniel Smith,
Pocomoke.....		{ Walter Baggott.
Quantico.....		{ J. H. McGrath, J. H.
Rowlandsville.....		{ Daugherty, H. Bell,
		{ H. Dye.
		F. Robertson.
		Nathan Montgomery

CHARGES.	MINISTERS.	PREACHERS.
Salisbury.....	J. W. Penuel.	Robert Ward.
Seaford.....		Wm. Quirk.
Snow Hill.....		J. C. Poston.
Southside.....		Howard Meeks.
St. James.....		J. M. Smith.
Talbot.....		Edward Gilligan.
Washington-Street.....		
West Baltimore.....	H. T. Gernhardt.	
		{ Dr. C. Billingslea,
		{ E. A. Warfield,
		{ H. L. Elderdice,
Westminster.....		{ W. W. Dumm,
		{ H. G. Cowan,
		{ B. W. Kindley,
Whaleyville.....	R. H. Powell.—19.	{ J. H. Tilghman.
Wilmington.....		{ J. B. Grey.—43.

OFFICERS OF THE FIFTY-FOURTH CONFERENCE.

President :

T. D. VALIANT.

Standing District Committee :

W. DALE, J. D. KINZER, W. S. HAMMOND, C. A. BENJAMIN, A. J. FAIRBANK, H. F. ZOLLIKOFFER.

Committee of Appeals :

L. W. BATES, S. B. SOUTHERLAND, J. T. MURRAY, J. T. McCULLOUGH, C. A. BENJAMIN.

Conference Steward : R. S. ROWE.

Missionary Steward : A. W. MATHER.

Superannuated Fund Steward : J. E. MALOY.

Secretary : T. H. LEWIS.

Assistant Secretary : F. T. LITTLE.

COMMITTEES OF THE FIFTY-FOURTH CONFERENCE.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS :

A. D. Dick, Edward Gilligan, R. H. Pennewell.

2. FINANCE :

J. T. Murray, W. J. Neeper, W. R. Graham, R. Nicholson, J. G. Hennis.

3. ITINERANCY AND ORDERS: The Faculty of Instruction.

4. BOUNDARIES:

C. W. Button, S. S. Ewell, John Mason, Samuel Gaither, C. A. Benjamin, Joshua Cain, Daniel N. Hahn.

5. PUBLICATION OF MINUTES: The Secretary of the Conference.

6. PULPIT SERVICES:

A. D. Murray, J. T. Lassell, C. B. Middleton.

7. MISSIONS:

W. S. Hammond, J. D. Kinzer, F. T. Tagg, P. G. Erdman, E. L. Williams, J. N. Gilbert.

8. SUPERANNUATES:

D. W. Bates, J. E. Maloy, J. L. Mills, J. H. Leonard, J. S. Topham.

9. LITERATURE:

J. T. Ward, J. W. Charlton, J. M. Holmes, Joseph Libbey, Jackson Day, Ormond Hammond.

10. SABBATH SCHOOLS:

R. S. Norris, J. E. T. Ewell, P. T. Hall, Joseph Barnett, J. D. A. Robinson.

11. TEMPERANCE:

B. F. Benson, S. T. Ferguson, J. L. Straughn, Marcellus Balderston, Daniel Sweeny.

12. BIBLE CAUSE:

Jesse Shreeve, C. M. Thompson, F. T. Little, J. A. Shoemaker, W. M. Stratton.

13. FRATERNAL RELATIONS:

D. A. Shermer, J. B. Jones, S. B. Tredway, Chas. F. Thomas, W. L. Seabrook.

14. OFFICIAL CHARACTER:

J. R. Nichols, W. M. Strayer, S. A. Hoblitzell, Thomas Johnson, J. L. Pettit.

15. STATISTICS: R. T. Smith.

16. MINISTERIAL SUPPLY OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT:

L. W. Bates, H. C. Cushing, W. J. Floyd, J. H. Grafton, W. W. Walker.

17. OBITUARIES:

Of T. A. Moore, D. W. Bates, Chairman; of D. N. Gilbert, J. D. Kinzer, Chairman; of I. T. Adkins, J. K. Nichols, Chairman.

18. WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE:

E. J. Drinkhouse, C. H. Littleton, C. S. Arnett, Peter Baile, J. B. Thomas.

19. FOREIGN MISSIONS:

J. J. Murray, D. L. Greenfield, J. L. Killgore, J. H. Maynard, W. K. White.

20. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION:

J. K. Nichols, P. L. Wilson, W. W. White, J. T. McCullough, W. H. Spry.

21. PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

S. B. Southerland, S. T. Graham, E. R. McGregor, J. G. Clarke, S. N. Norris.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

CONFERENCE ROLL:

D. W. Bates, H. C. Cushing, J. B. Jones.

COLLECTIONS FOR BROADWAY:

D. W. Bates, J. L. Mills, J. M. Holmes, J. T. McCullough, W. L. Seabrook.

RELIEF OF FIRST CHURCH:

J. Shreeve, J. W. Gray, J. O. Rasin, P. T. Walls.

TRACT COLLECTION:

W. J. Neepier.

TO NOMINATE A PRINCIPAL FOR SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY:

J. J. Murray, H. C. Cushing, J. T. McCullough.

SUB-DISTRICTS:

W. M. Strayer, B. F. Benson, C. A. Benjamin.

SCHEDULE OF STUDIES FOR SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY:

T. H. Lewis, J. T. Ward, J. T. Murray, E. J. Drinkhouse.

POLYGAMY AND SABBATH OBSERVANCE:

J. L. Killgore, H. C. Cushing, B. F. Benson, C. W. Button, Joseph Barnett.

MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTY-FOURTH CONFERENCE.

FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY.

BALTIMORE, March 8th, 1882.

THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE of the Methodist Protestant Church convened in its fifty-fourth session, in Broadway M. P. Church, at 9 A. M.

T. D. Valiant, President, opened the session by reading Psalm cxiii., Revelation v., Hymn 533 ; and offered prayer.

At the roll-call of ministerial members, the names of T. A. Moore, D. N. Gilbert and I. T. Adkins were transferred to the Dead Roll on motion of the chairman of the respective Obituary committees.

S. B. Southerland called the Dead Roll, and remarks in memory of T. A. Moore were made by D. W. Bates, J. R. Nichols and J. B. Jones. Thursday, 2 P. M., was fixed as the hour for further memorial services.

On motion of B. F. Benson, the Secretary was made Committee on Credentials, and the roll of delegates completed.

On motion of A. D. Murray, it was resolved to hold daily sessions from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M., with a recess from 12 to 1 P. M.

The President read his annual report (see Reports, A), and his character passed. On motion of J. T. Murray, a Standing Committee on President's Report was ordered, to which the report was referred.

The President then announced the Standing Committees.

The order of the day arrived, and D. L. Greenfield preached the Conference Sermon, from Acts xxviii. 14, 15 ; after which J. J. Murray conducted the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

The Secretary presented his report on the Conference Roll, which was referred to a special committee.

Conference proceeded to elect for the ensuing year, a President, Standing District Committee, Committee of Appeals, Conference Steward, Missionary Steward, Superannuated Fund Steward, and Secretary (see Officers).

J. T. Murray obtained leave to read the report of the committee appointed last session on Theological Education (see Reports, B), which was referred to Committee on W. M. College.

J. T. Ward obtained leave to present his report as President of W. M. College (see Reports, Q), which was referred to the same.

Special Committee on Conference Roll reported in favor of adopting the report of the Secretary (see Reports, V), which was adopted.

Conference adjourned with doxology and benediction by J. L. Mills.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY.

BALTIMORE, March 9th, 1882.

W. J. Neeper was appointed to take charge of the Tract collection.

W. S. Hammond reported account of receipts and expenditures for expenses of delegates to the Ecumenical Conference. Also, receipts for the payment of the debt on Broadway, which was referred, at his request, to a special committee.

Letters were read and referred as follows: From Whaleyville, asking a division of the circuit, to Boundaries; from Pittsburgh, asking for supply, to Ministerial Supply Outside of the District; from a society of persons of Indian descent in Sussex county, Del., asking for supply, to Boundaries; from Talbot, asking a division of the circuit, to Boundaries; from Southside, asking to remain as now, to Boundaries; from Oxford, petitions, to Boundaries; from Baltimore Conference, M. P. Church, accrediting messengers, to Fraternal Relations; from First Church, Washington, asking help for debt, to Special Committee; from T. O. Crouse, regretting his inability to attend, owing to illness; from J. Clay, asking to be left without appointment.

E. J. Drinkhouse presented the report of the Book Concern and METHODIST PROTESTANT which was referred to Literature; and of the Educational Endowment Society (see Reports, R), which was referred to Committee on Western Maryland College.

B. F. Benson presented a preamble and resolutions for the improvement of collections for general interests, which was referred to Finance.

L. W. Bates, in the name of the authors, presented to the Conference a copy of the History of the Maryland Annual Conference, by J. T. Murray and T. H. Lewis. The President responded, accepting the gift.

T. H. Lewis presented report of receipts and expenditures for publication of the Minutes, showing balance due committee \$12.80, which was referred to Conference Steward, with instructions to pay.

On motion of S. B. Tredway, it was decided to hold the next annual session on the second Wednesday in March, 1883.

A. W. Mather offered a resolution requiring all reports of collections, after adoption by the Conference, to go to the Conference Steward for combination (see Resolutions, 1). Adopted.

Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was read (see Reports, C), and made the order of the day for Friday, 11 A. M.

Conference proceeded with memorial services, and remarks were made on the life and character and death of T. A. Moore, D. N. Gilbert, and I. T. Adkins.

The request of J. Clay was brought up and discussed, but before conclusion the hour of adjournment arrived.

THIRD DAY—FRIDAY.

BALTIMORE, March 10th, 1882.

The motion to grant the request of J. Clay was laid on the table, and he was given a supernumerary relation.

Communications were read and referred, as follows: From Alexandria, to Missions; from Montgomery, Ala., to Ministerial Supply Outside of the District; from David Wilson and from R. W. Berryman, whose present relations were continued; from W. G.

Holmes, to Superannuates; from C. A. Sturm, Pennsylvania Conference, M. P. Church, to Fraternal Relations; from Maryland Branch Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, M. P. Church, to Foreign Missions; from Woman's Christian Temperance Union, to Temperance; from S. R. Murray, to Ministerial Supply, etc.; from E. R. Washington, to President's Report; from J. B. Butler, whose present relation was continued; from North Carolina Avenue, to the President; from Charleston, S. C., to President's Report.

B. F. Benson offered resolutions concerning the purchase and use of the authorized Church Register (see Resolutions, 3), which were adopted.

E. J. Drinkhouse offered resolution of greeting to Baltimore Conference, M. E. Church (see Resolutions, 8), which was adopted. Also, on motion of J. J. Murray, a message was sent the Baltimore Conference, M. E. Church South.

The Committee on Western Maryland College returned to Conference with approval the report of the Special Committee on establishing a School of Theology (see Reports, B).

The motion to adopt the report was discussed until the hour of recess, and continued on the reassembling, until a call was made and sustained for the yeas and nays, resulting in the adoption of the report—yeas, 84; nays, 12.

Missionary Steward asked instructions and was directed to pay the appropriation to N. W. Mission to H. T. Gernhardt, to be by him distributed among the proper claimants.

Committee on Pulpit Supply made report of appointments for the Sabbath, which was adopted.

On motion of E. J. Drinkhouse, a special committee was appointed to make nominations for Principal of the School of Theology.

Conference then adjourned.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY.

BALTIMORE, March 11th, 1882.

The report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was taken up (see Reports, C), and the resolution of D. W. Bates, laid over from last year, relative to an assessment for Superannuates (see Resolutions, 14), was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Boundaries was read (see Reports, F) and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Supply Outside of the District was read (see Reports, O) and adopted, and the decision asked for in the third item was rendered on motion of H. C. Cushing, that there would be no legal difficulty in the way of the return of J. J. Murray to Pittsburgh in 1883, should it be desired.

The report of the Committee on President's Report was read (see Reports, U) and adopted, save the third item, which referred the payment of the Broadway debt to West Baltimore. This item was amended by substituting "Home Missionary Society" for "West Baltimore." The item was afterwards laid on the table, and a resolution adopted assessing the amount on the District (see Resolutions, 4).

The report of the Faculty of Instruction was read (see Reports, E) and adopted. Afterwards the resolution attached to the report, recommending that students of Theology be considered probationary members of this Conference, was referred back to the Faculty, with instructions to define the rights and duties of such probationary membership, and report the same to the next Conference.

The Missionary Steward read his report of receipts and disbursements, which was adopted. (For collections, see Financial Report 1; for disbursements, see Reports, Aa).

The Special Committee to nominate for Principal of the School of Theology reported the names of L. W. Bates, J. K. Nichols, E. J. Drinkhouse, and T. H. Lewis. Conference proceeded to ballot, with the following result: T. H. Lewis, 78; J. L. Killgore, 2; S. B. Southerland, 2; H. C. Cushing, 1; J. D. Kinzer, 1.

Francis Brown obtained leave to address the Conference on the condition and prospects of his work in Charleston, and other parts of South Carolina.

Adjournment.

FIFTH DAY—MONDAY.

BALTIMORE, March 13th, 1882.

The President being absent, W. S. Hammond was called to the chair.

The Committee on Finance reported back to the Conference the preamble and resolutions of B. F. Benson (see Resolutions, 17), with amendments, and it was adopted, but, by request of B. F. Benson, the vote was reconsidered, and the paper laid over for one year.

The report of the Committee on Tract Collection was presented (see Financial Report, 1) and adopted, and the committee instructed to pay the money to H. Matthews, Agent.

The report of the Committee on the Communication from First Church was read (see Reports, W) and adopted.

The Committee on Official Character reported delinquents, who made explanations, and were excused, Conference declaring by vote its disapproval of ministers interposing their judgment in reference to collections ordered by this body.

D. W. Bates offered a resolution to combine the appropriations for superannuates (see Resolutions, 6), which was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Literature was adopted (see Reports, J).

The report of the Committee on Finance was read (see Reports, D, and Financial Report, 2), amended, and adopted.

The Superannuated Fund Steward report amount of collections (see Financial Report, 1) and disbursements (see Reports, Bb), which was adopted.

The Committee on Foreign Missions reported (see Reports, S). The report was amended and adopted.

J. T. Murray presented a resolution from Sub-District No. 7 (see Reports, X), which was referred to a special committee.

J. L. Leilich asked for a letter of withdrawal from the Conference.

P. L. Wilson was granted a supernumerary relation.

J. T. Murray offered a resolution, sending greeting to D. Wilson and T. O. Crouse (see Resolutions, 11), which was adopted.

Conference proceeded to select the place for the next annual

session. Westminster and Lynchburg presented invitations, and a ballot resulted in the selection of Westminster.

S. V. Leech, D. D., of the Baltimore Conference, presented resolutions from his Conference, and expressed the fraternal greetings of that body. He was welcomed by the President, and invited to a seat within the bar.

Conference adjourned after religious exercises.

SIXTH DAY—TUESDAY.

BALTIMORE, March 14th, 1882.

A message was received from the Baltimore Conference, M. E. Church South, (see Resolutions, 10).

The report of the Committee on Temperance was read (see Reports, L) and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Superannuates was read (see Reports, II) and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Education was read (see Reports, T) and adopted, and committee instructed to pay the money collected to J. B. Walker, Agent.

The reports on Ministerial Education and Foreign Missions were ordered to be sent to THE METHODIST PROTESTANT for publication.

The special committee on resolution from Sub-District No. 7 reported (see Reports, X), and the report was adopted.

Conference was addressed by J. B. Walker, Corresponding Secretary Board Ministerial Education; Thomas Wells, President Baltimore Conference, M. P. Church; E. W. Scott and J. H. Manly, of the African M. P. Church.

E. J. Drinkhouse offered a resolution to assess the District for Broadway debt (see Resolutions, 4), which was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Statistics was presented (see Statistics) and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was read (see Reports, K) and adopted.

On motion of J. J. Murray, a special committee on Polygamy and Sabbath-breaking was appointed.

The ordination of D. W. Anstine was ordered to take place this evening.

The report of the Committee on Missions was read (see Reports, G, and Financial Report, II.) and adopted. The chairman of the committee reported \$26 00 received from Starr and \$10 00 from St. John's, for Missions, since the report of Missionary Steward, and was directed to distribute it.

W. S. Hammond asked to be relieved as Treasurer of the Broadway Fund, and J. D. Kinzer was appointed in his place.

P. T. Hall was left without appointment at his own request.

The Conference Steward presented his report (see Financial Report, 1), which was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Bible Cause was read (see Reports, M, and Financial Report, 1) and adopted, and committee instructed to pay amount in hand to Agent of Bible Society.

J. T. Murray offered a resolution annexing Howard and Finksburg to Sub District No. 7 (see Resolutions, 7), which was adopted.

The Secretary was instructed to publish the plan of appointments in alphabetical order.

The report of the Committee on W. M. College was read (see Reports, P) and adopted.

F. T. Tagg offered a resolution commending Broadway to the liberality of the District (see Resolutions, 5) which was adopted.

A letter from A. Baker was read, and his relation continued.

D. W. Bates offered a resolution authorizing chairmen to fix time and place of Sub District meeting (see Resolutions, 15), which was adopted.

J. D. Kinzer offered a resolution requiring pastors to report collections of W. F. M. S. (see Resolutions, 2), which was adopted.

J. E. Maloy asked to be relieved as Superannuated Fund Steward, and F. T. Tagg was elected in his place.

C. W. Button offered resolutions of thanks (see Resolutions, 12), which were adopted by a rising vote.

The report of the Committee on Fraternal Relations was read (see Reports, N), and adopted.

J. W. Gray offered a resolution of thanks (see Resolutions, 13), which was adopted.

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The report of the special Committee on Polygamy and Sabbath-breaking was read, and, on motion of J. W. Charlton, the report was divided, and all that referred to polygamy adopted as a separate paper (see Reports, Y); the remainder of the paper on Sabbath-breaking was then adopted (see Reports, Z).

J. J. Murray offered a resolution endorsing the publication of a Conference daily next year (see Resolutions, 16), which was adopted.

The President addressed the Conference, and read the plan of appointments (see Reports, Cc).

Conference adjourned to meet in Westminster, Md., March 14th, 1883.

T. H. LEWIS,

Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS
AND
REPORTS.

RESOLUTIONS.

1.—See page 12.

Resolved, That the reports of the Stewards, and of all committees on collections, after adoption by the Conference, be handed to the Conference Steward, to be embodied in his report.

2.—See page 17.

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of pastors to report to the Annual Conference the amounts contributed to Foreign Missions by the auxiliaries of W. F. M. Societies, and that due credit be given in the Minutes.

3.—See page 13.

Resolved, That where the Church Register, published by Messrs. W. J. C. Dulany & Co., which is made according to the models provided by the General Conference, is not in use, the Quarterly Conferences are earnestly requested to get it, that our registry may be uniform.

Resolved, That the names, dates and facts of the old registers should be transferred to the new, and where an item or items have been lost the blank or blanks should be filled by the statement of the fact—No record.

Resolved, That pastors are requested to bring this matter to the attention of their Quarterly Conferences, and urge upon them a prompt compliance.

4.—See page 14.

Resolved, That the President of the Conference and the Standing District Committee are hereby instructed to assess upon the Maryland District the deficit that may exist upon the obligation of the Conference to meet the \$1,500.00 in the Broadway Church matter, probably \$325.00, payable on or before November 1st proximo; and to resort to any other means to compass the object that may seem to them prudent and practicable.

5.—See page 13.

Believing that the rapid advancement and prosperity of Broadway Church will be greatly facilitated by an early effort to relieve the debt upon it, therefore,

Resolved, That we commend the pastor of Broadway to the Church in the District to lift, by private solicitation, during this Conference year, the smaller mortgage of \$2,500.00; and we, the members of the Conference, assure him of our sympathy and co-operation in such an effort.

6.—See page 15.

Resolved, That the two interests, the interest on the Superannuated Fund and the collections for superannuates, having heretofore been separated, be blended, and that all rules separating these interests be annulled, and that the Committee on Superannuates be instructed to assess the same accordingly.

7.—See page 17.

Resolved, That Howard and Finksburg Circuits be changed from the fifth and sixth to the seventh Sub-District.

8.—See page 13.

Resolved, That the President of the Conference is hereby requested to communicate at an early period in this session to the presiding Bishop and members of the Baltimore Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, now in session within easy hail of our own place of meeting, the Christian and Methodistic greetings of this Conference, and bid them God-speed in their Wesleyan labors of "spreading scriptural holiness over these lands."

9.—See page 16.

Preamble and resolution adopted by the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Saturday, March 11th, 1882:

WHEREAS, The Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church has sent to this Conference a delegation bearing to us its fraternal greetings; and,

WHEREAS, We have heard the appropriate and kindly address of the chairman of the delegation, Rev. J. L. Mills, D. D.; therefore,

Resolved, That Bishop Wiley be requested to appoint a delegation to visit the said Maryland Annual Conference, and respond in behalf of this Conference to the fraternal greetings of said Conference.

10.—See page 16.

The Baltimore Annual Conference Methodist Episcopal Church South cordially reciprocate your fraternal greeting, and pray God's blessing upon your work.

11.—See page 15.

Resolved, That we hereby express our affectionate remembrance of our brother, Rev. David Wilson, M. D., Post Chaplain in the U. S. Army, who is detained at his post in Dakota Territory, from attending Conference; and assure him of our prayers for the health and peace of himself and family, and for his usefulness in his official duties.

Also, that we express our sympathy for our brother, Rev. Thomas O. Crouse, in his sickness and detention from Conference, and assure him of our prayers for his speedy restoration to health.

12.—See page 17.

WHEREAS, The ladies of Broadway Church have devoted themselves to the self-denying task of providing creature comforts for all the members of, and visitors to, this Conference, at a price that precluded the possibility of any return for their labors; therefore,

Resolved, That they are entitled to the thanks of all who have daily, or even occasionally, been permitted to gather about their hospitable board.

Resolved, further, That the thanks of the Conference, being due, are hereby tendered to our officers for the able and efficient manner in which they have discharged their arduous duties.

13.—See page 17.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference be, and hereby are, tendered to the families of this city, who have so kindly entertained us during this session.

14.—See page 13.

Resolved, That the Committee on Superannuated Claimants, after ascertaining the amount needed, be authorized to assess the amount on the different charges, on the basis of the President's salary, less the amount received from the Treasurer of the Superannuated Fund Society.

15.—See page 17.

Resolved, That the chairman of the respective Sub-Districts select the place as well as the time of meeting.

16.—See page 18.

Resolved, That in recognition of the acceptable service rendered by Rev. T. H. Lewis, in the publication of the CONFERENCE RECORD, last year, the sympathy and support of the Conference are hereby tendered to Bro. Lewis in anticipation of a similar publication next year.

17.—See page 15.

[Laid over for one year.]

WHEREAS, It has been found by the test of actual experience, that the system of annual public collection, as now employed to raise funds for the general interests of this Conference, and the Church at large, has proven defective in essentially important particulars, both as a means of education in this department of Christian beneficence, and as a means of securing the money which our great missionary and educational enterprises imperatively demand, and our people are abundantly able and (under proper solicitation) willing to give, therefore, to reach every member of the Church and to hold these Christian obligations constantly before each one until they shall be duly met, be it

Resolved, 1. That the Secretary of this Conference be, and he is hereby authorized to purchase 15,000 envelopes of suitable size, for each of the following interests, viz: Home and Foreign Missions, Ministerial Education, Colleges, Home Missions, Maryland Conference, and Superannuated Fund; and to have them printed according to the example here given [form omitted], and furnished to the pastors, prior to the third Sunday in April. On the envelopes for Home and Foreign Missions the date shall be — Sunday in —; for Ministerial Education — Sunday in —; for Home Missions, Maryland Conference — Sunday in —; for Superannuated Fund — Sunday in —. And he shall also purchase 15,000 larger envelopes, capable of containing the five smaller ones, and have them printed as follows: [form omitted]. And he shall also have prepared 125 schedules according to the following form: [form omitted]. And it shall be the duty of the Secretary to forward to each pastor schedules and envelopes sufficient to supply his charge, prior to the third Sunday in April.

2. That the expense thus incurred, and also postage in forwarding to the pastors, shall be borne equally by the five interests to be served, and the same shall be deducted out of the receipts of the present year, and each succeeding in the same manner, and placed in the hands of the Secretary for this purpose.

3. That it shall be the duty of each and every pastor, (1) to write the names of the members of his charge on the schedule, (2) to number each name on the schedule, and put the same number on the contribution envelopes, so the credit can be correctly made when the contributor fails to write his name, (3) to put a small envelope for each of the general interests in the larger envelope, address and deliver one to each member, (4) to give timely notice of the time, as named on the envelopes, when the collection shall be taken, take up the collection at the time, or the next fair day, calling on the members to put their envelopes, and others their cash in the basket; (5) to take charge of the envelopes and money, credit each member with his or her contribution, and the cash to public collection.

R E P O R T S.

A.—See page 10.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

To the Members of the Maryland Annual Conference

of the Methodist Protestant Church :

DEAR BRETHREN: At the end of this second year of my executive labors, I come to join you in gratitude and praise to our Almighty Father, and our gracious Redeemer and Saviour, for the abundant mercy and grace which have attended us through the year. We have had seasons of depression and sadness, but many more of triumph and joy. The Master has called home some of our brethren, who, instead of meeting with us in our annual assembly, are doubtless "beholding the King in His beauty," and enjoying communion with the "spirits of the just made perfect." Their names are added to the list of our sainted dead, and their labors form a part of the unwritten, as well as the written, history of our Church. Thomas A. Moore was one of my early ministerial acquaintances. I loved him in youth, and I honored him in maturer life. He never ceased his labors, until he ceased to live. David N. Gilbert—so young, so hearty, so buoyant in spirits, whose talents for usefulness were just being realized—was stricken down in an unexpected moment! His loss was seriously felt. Isaac T. Adkins, though advanced in years, had labored up to 1880, when he retired from the active work. "They rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."

CHANGES OF APPOINTMENTS.

Some time in May I released Geo. R. McCready from "Faith Mission," he having secured the consent of his official Board. They also desired to be stricken from our list of missions. There was no prospect of a permanent organization, without the expenditure of considerable means, which had we possessed, could have been employed better elsewhere. Bro. McCready had labored zealously, but the location was not promising. He was appointed to Anne Arundel Circuit, as the health of Bro. E. W. Starr prevented him from accepting an appointment.

In June Bro. F. C. Klein visited Chester, Pa., and organized a society. A mission house, belonging to the Presbyterian Church, was rented, and after a few weeks they made application for ministerial supply. I corresponded with the President of the Pennsylvania District, and he expressed his inability to render them any help, and requested that they be taken under the care of the Maryland Conference. Accordingly satisfactory arrangements were made with Bro. E. O. Ewing to supply the charge. He moved to Chester, and went earnestly to work. His success, so far, gives great hope for the future. I recommend that it be constituted a mission, with an appropriation. The pastor can give fuller information of their present status.

In October Bro. H. C. Cushing was appointed to Kent Island to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Bro. Gilbert.

WILLIAMSPORT CHURCH.

In August I went to Hagerstown to consult with our attorney, Hon. A. K. Syester, in reference to our property on Williamsport Circuit. I gave a deed for the church at Clear Spring, which had been sold for \$300.00 to a colored society. Only \$50 00 was to be paid on delivery, the balance in six and twelve months. The claim upon the church in Williamsport was still being pressed, but suit had not been entered. The claim is illegal, owing to the irregular manner in which it was given. Yet as there might be a small claim in equity, and that the matter might be amicably arranged, I proposed to relinquish our claim on the "Jones' Fund," which amounts to \$25 per annum, payable only on condition that a Methodist Protestant minister occupies the church.

I made this proposition, from two considerations: 1st. Because the appointment is of no practical benefit to us as a church. To preach there three or four times in the year, only to receive the \$25, did not appear to me as fulfilling the design of the bequest. 2d. To free the Williamsport Church from debt, and thereby prevent a lawsuit, however favorable that suit might be to us, would be far better than to hold on to a claim that we could not utilize. Mr. Embrey, who holds the claim against the Williamsport property, is also trustee of the Jones' Fund, which will expire in a few years, as I understood there was only some \$400 left. I wrote to Mr. Syester sometime since for information about the matter, but have failed to hear from him since. I do not know whether he has secured the mortgage or not. Mr. Robert Lemon, the administrator of the estate of Peter Light, promised me to see the heirs, and secure a deed of the property to the Missionary Society of the Maryland Annual Conference. My object in this was to save any future trouble by reason of any irregularity in the election of a Board of Trustees. The property is ours by virtue of the will of Peter Light; but may be held against all litigation by the Missionary Board, and at the same time justify them in making missionary appropriations to sustain the appointment.

BROADWAY CHURCH.

"The Standing District Committee," in conjunction with the President of the Conference, issued a circular to the various charges of the District, apportioning the balance due on the monies borrowed for the Broadway claim to those charges which had not paid, or which had only paid a small amount. The report of the chairman of that committee will show that only a small amount was realized, and that those brethren are still carrying a large balance of that amount in bank. I trust something will be done at this session to relieve them of that embarrassment.

CHURCHES BUILT.

There have been six new churches completed this year, and one almost ready for dedication.

A new church on Sussex Mission, valued at \$1,000, on which there is a debt of \$100; net gain, \$900. In August we dedicated a church on Amelia Mission, valued at \$1,200. A new church has been completed on Clayton Circuit, which was begun last year, valued at \$1,200. Also a new house at Doylestown, on Concord Circuit, valued at \$2,000. A very nice house has been erected in East Cambridge, in an eligible location, on a lot of ground donated by Mr. Fletcher. The property in fee is valued at \$2,500, on which

there is a claim of \$400, leaving a net value of \$2,100. The new house at Drawbridge, on Dorchester Circuit, is nearly completed. The value, when finished, will be \$1,000. The elegant improvement at 9th-Street, Washington city, has been completed at a cost of \$9,000. Fifteen hundred dollars of this amount was raised by the congregation, the balance was secured by loan on parsonage property.

PARSONAGES.

Hampden Station has built a parsonage. Also Milton Circuit.

The amounts reported for church improvements are incomplete, being only \$12,046.

MEMBERS RECEIVED.

The reports of members received during the year are very imperfect, as some of the charges, where the greatest increase has been, have not reported to me. So far the additions given in are 715.

In obedience to the request of Conference I visited South Carolina in November; was most cordially received and kindly treated. The work under the care of Bros. Brown and Washington is in a hopeful state of prosperity. They need more laborers in the field. They have some local preachers on the work, and I suggested the propriety of their being recommended by their Quarterly Conference, when they have been fully tried, to this Conference for orders, and that, instead of being subjected to this long travel, a committee be appointed, in connection with the President, to examine them, and at their election to ordain them, whenever they may give evidence of being properly qualified for the work. It is hardly necessary for me here to give a lengthy report of my observations there, as I gave a full account in my journal of that visit. Suffice it to say, that the work is growing very rapidly there, and the time is not far distant when a respectable Conference may be formed in that State.

Now, in conclusion, allow me to express my sincere thanks to the brethren for their uniform kindness to me in all my travels. I have learned to love the ministers of this Conference more than ever.

There have been much sacrifice and earnest labor put forth to sustain the interests of the Church, and to secure the salvation of souls. The greatest impediment that I can see to the rapid advancement of our interests, is the want of financial support. The principles of our polity are gaining favor upon every hand, and new openings are constantly occurring. The want of financial support affects us injuriously in two ways:

1st. It prevents us from occupying places we might occupy, and from giving sufficient support to the weak points already occupied. Our home missionary fields have become undesirable to ministers who have not the means to aid them in their own support.

2d. Our ministers are so inadequately supported in many places, they become burdened with anxiety and care. The salaries of ministers are entirely too low in many charges, and often cause embarrassment, which dampens zeal, and interferes with their success. I deeply deplore this tendency to retrenchment. We want a liberal spirit. The gospel inspires liberality. And while I would not have my brethren to make the impression that they are chiefly concerned about their salaries, yet I believe that the general interests of the Church should be so presented to the congregations, and to such individuals as God has

prospered in the world, as to educate them to a higher liberality. "COVETOUSNESS IS IDOLATRY," and it must be preached against.

The following charges are deficient in the assessment for President's salary: Baltimore Circuit, \$3.50; Belair, \$7; Deer Creek, \$15; Chesapeake, \$5; Chestertown, \$5; Leipsic, \$6.66; Lynchburg, \$19.50; Campbell, \$5; Quantico, \$20; Snow Hill, \$7; Georgetown, D. C., \$32.18; Washington-St., Balt., \$12.75; Union Circuit, \$25; N. C. Ave. Mission, \$10; All Saints, \$10.

T. D. VALIANT, *President.*

B.—See page 13.

SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY.

The undersigned having been appointed by the last Annual Conference to "mature some plan by which Systematic Theology may be taught the graduates of Western Maryland College who are preparing for the ministry, and report the same to the next session of this Conference," we respectfully report the following:

We have given the subject careful consideration, and have consulted with the Board of Trustees in regular meetings, and with the local committee of the College, and as the result, we recommend:

1. That a department of Theology be established in the College, and a minister of the Maryland Annual Conference be placed at the head of that department, to be styled the Principal of the School of Theology.

2. That such members of the Faculty of the College as may be available, and as may be necessary to give instruction in the several branches of the schedule of studies adopted, be associated with the Principal in the School of Theology. And also, if practicable, that the Pastor of the Methodist Protestant Church in Westminster be included in the Faculty. These several parties unitedly to constitute the Faculty of Theology.

3. That the Principal be appointed at this session of Conference, and the appointment being confirmed by the Board of Trustees of the College, he shall at once enter upon his duties in such preparatory work as shall enable him to organize and commence the course of instruction in the School of Theology at the beginning of the Collegiate year in September, 1882.

4. That a committee be appointed by this Conference, who, together with the Principal as chairman, shall prepare a schedule of studies for the School of Theology.

5. That this Conference adopt measures to insure the support of the department of Theology. We recommend the following:

- a. That the College Collection ordered by the General Conference, the disposition of which is left to the respective Conferences, be by this Conference applied to the School of Theology of Western Maryland College; and that we solicit the Conferences contiguous to us, and the Southern Conferences to apply their College collections to the same purpose.

- b. That we endeavor to secure a pledge from one hundred persons, members of this Conference and others, each to give or become responsible for, the sum of ten dollars, for the present year, to the support of the department of Theology.

We further report, that the students in theology should as soon as practicable

be accommodated in a building separate from and contiguous to the College. The building of a Divinity Hall is earnestly recommended to the favorable consideration of Conference.

We would also respectfully suggest that the beneficiary students be subject to the judgment of some judicious authority, as to their course of instruction, under the assistance of the Church. That this authority may determine at what stage in their course of study they may most advantageously go into the School of Theology. This to be determined by the age, mental aptitudes, and other peculiarities proper to be considered. Thus, a student may, at the discretion of the Faculty of Instruction of the Conference, be entered immediately into the School of Theology; or once in the College, he may at any time after the first year be transferred to said school. Students entering through the Maryland Conference, shall be subject, in this particular, to the discrimination of the Faculty of Instruction of the said Conference, based upon the report and recommendation of the Principal of the School of Theology. Those entering through other Conferences, subject to a like discrimination on the part of the Board of Ministerial Education, to whom the Principal shall report his recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. MURRAY,
P. LIGHT WILSON,
CHAS. BILLINGSLEA.

C.—See page 12.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Your committee find but two items to report:

1st. The resolution of Rev. D. W. Bates in reference to an assessment of the superannuated claimants' allowance, on the different charges on the basis of the President's salary, less the amount received from the Treasurer of "Superannuated Fund Society." (See Minutes 1881, p. 17.)

2d. The legacy of Mr. Nicholas Owens, of Howard county, to the "Superannuated Fund Society," entrusted to Rev. A. W. Mather, as committee. *Ib.*, p. 20.

D.—See page 15.

FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance respectfully report as follows:

1st. They have examined the account of J. N. Gilbert, agent of the President's Parsonage, and find it correct according to the vouchers. They recommend the continuance of J. N. Gilbert as agent.

2d. They report an assessment of \$3,176 for the support of the executive office for the year 1882. The sum of \$2,000 as the salary and traveling expenses of the President, the remainder to be applied to ground rent, taxes, water rent and repair of house and furniture.

Your committee are gratified at the general acquiescence of the churches in the apportionment of the claims of the executive office. It demonstrates their appreciation of this important and essential part of our system, and the necessity of supporting it in a manner comporting with its dignity and efficiency.

There have been some requests for abatement, but no material modifications could be made without deranging the schedule as a whole. Therefore commending the past efforts of the churches to meet this demand, we encourage them to continued effort to meet it to the full.

We would also call attention to the authority given by Discipline to lay this obligation upon the churches; and to the fact that it is done by their consent through the delegates in the Annual Conference. These may make proper representations before the body and its committee, and when the assessment is determined it may not be invalidated by any local officer.

A thoughtful consideration of the subject, will show that withholding this support as a means of redress for any real or imaginary grievance at the official acts of the executive, is striking at the efficiency, independence and integrity of the executive office, and to be deprecated as injurious alike to the local societies and the general Church.

We recommend that the following resolution touching the President's salary be printed in connection with the assessments for the current year :

Resolved, That the failure of the President to visit any circuit or station, does not authorize the said circuit or station to withhold the apportionment of the President's salary.

Resolved, That this Conference recommend to each superintendent to apportion the President's salary equitably among the appointments of his field of labor, and use his utmost endeavors to collect the same before the annual visit of the President to his charge.

E.—See page 14.

FACULTY OF INSTRUCTION.

1. The examiners of the preparatory department reported favorably upon the cases of John M. Gill, Hugh L. Elderdice and Dr. James H. Maynard.

These brethren were all marked 100, in all the studies upon which they were examined.

2. John W. Balderston and John S. Bowers were marked 100, by all the examiners of the First Year, and were passed to the Second Year Class.

3. Thos. E. Coulbourn, Wm. F. Roberts, James L. Elderdice and George R. McCready were passed to the Third Year. Of these brethren, T. E. Coulbourn and J. L. Elderdice were marked 100 by all the examiners before whom they appeared. W. F. Roberts and G. R. McCready were marked 100 in Watson's Institutes, Redemption, and also in Doctrines of Christianity; and W. F. Roberts 100 in Mosheim's Church History.

4. D. W. Anstine was marked 100 on Church History and Moral Science. A. D. Murray, having been ordained at our last session with the understanding that he would appear for examination at the present session, was marked 100. J. L. Leilich was examined on Moral Science, and marked 100. A letter was received from Geo. H. McFaden, requesting that his name should be discontinued on account of serious ill health. Accompanying his letter, we found a communication from his physician. We recommend that the request be granted. The following was passed :

Resolved, 1. That Homiletics be added to the Course of Study. 2. That "The Theory of Preaching," by Dr. Austin Phelps, be the text book. 3. Students of the First Year will be required to read the entire book. 4. That it take the place of Powell on Succession in the First Year, and that B. F. Benson

be the examiner. J. D. Kinzer will examine on the Second Year from the 1st to 20th chapter inclusive. J. M. Holmes will examine in the Third Year from 21st chapter to end of volume.

The attention of students who have passed the First Year is called to this book.

On motion, Butler's Analogy and Powell on Succession were placed in the hands of the same examiner.

Dr. Drinkhouse tendered his resignation as a member of the Faculty. It was accepted, and H. C. Cushing was elected to fill the vacancy.

The following was passed: Recognizing the Bible as *the* book, we introduce it into the Course of Study, as follows: 1. All students in the Preparatory Department will be required to prepare a synopsis of the New Testament, of at least twenty pages of letter paper.

First-Year students will be required to prepare the same number of pages upon that part of the Scriptures embraced in the books from Genesis to Psalms. Second-Year students will be expected to furnish the same number of pages upon the books from Psalms to the close of the Old Testament. Students of the Third Year will be expected to furnish proof of careful study of the whole Word of God in a paper of not less than the number of pages above named. The following are the examiners in this department: J. T. Lassell, Preparatory. First Year, Dr. J. T. Ward; Second Year, E. R. McGregor; Third Year, J. M. Holmes.

"The Contrast," by Dr. L. W. Bates, was added to the course of study in the preparatory department, and connected with Constitution and Discipline of M. P. Church.

Report of Faculty of Instruction as Committee on Itinerancy and Orders:

1. We recommend for the Itinerancy—John M. Gill and J. L. Duncan.
2. For Orders—D. W. Anstine.

F.—See page 14.

BOUNDARIES.

The Committee on Boundaries, having carefully considered the papers and applications referred to them, take leave to report as follows:

1st. On the application of Oxford appointment, Talbot Circuit, to be constituted a station, they report that, in their judgment, it would be inexpedient to grant the request.

2d. On the application of the Quarterly Conference of Whaleyville Circuit, they recommend concurrence in the request made, to divide the circuit into two separate circuits, to be called respectively Pittsville and Powellsville.

3d. On the petition of Indian River Hundred, they recommend that this territory be recognized as a mission, without pecuniary dependence upon the Conference.

4th. On the application of Campbell and Southside Circuits, they recommend the granting of the joint request of these circuits, that they be practically one circuit for the ensuing Conference year, to be supplied by one unmarried preacher, and that Tyreanna Mission be left unsupplied for the ensuing year under the supervision of Lynchburg Station.

5th. On the application of the Quarterly Conference of Dorchester Circuit,

respecting a division of the circuit, they recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and that a married minister be sent to Dorchester and Preston Circuits, respectively, and an unmarried minister be assigned to Cambridge Circuit.

G.—See page 17.

MISSIONS.

The Committee on Missions beg leave to report as follows:

1. That Newark, N. J., be continued as a mission without an appropriation.
2. That Chester be set off as a mission with an appropriation of one hundred dollars.
3. That Faith Mission be stricken from the list of appointments.
4. We recommend that in future there be two Conference Missionary Stewards elected; one of whom shall have charge of the Maryland Conference Home Missionary funds, and the other the Home and Foreign Missionary collections.
5. We recommend that Middleway be set off as a mission with an appropriation of one hundred dollars.
6. Further appropriations: Alexandria, \$100; Potomac, \$100; Sussex, \$150; Wilmington, \$250; Salisbury, \$100; Harrington, \$150; Harper's Ferry, \$100; Hull-Street, \$100; Crumpton, \$50; Snow Hill, \$200; Amelia (if supplied), \$100.
7. Assessments (see Financial Report, II.)

H.—See page 16.

SUPERANNUATES.

We recommend the following appropriations:

Thomas Lee, \$400; H. J. Day, \$300; W. T. Dumm, \$300; J. W. Everist, \$100; J. H. Ellegood, \$400; D. F. Ewell, \$250; J. A. McFaden, \$150; J. K. Nichols, \$200; James Thompson, \$150; W. G. Holmes, \$300; F. H. Mullineaux, \$400; Mrs. W. C. Ames, \$400; Mrs. I. T. Adkins, \$200; Mrs. D. Bowers, \$250; Mrs. T. M. Bryan, \$200; Mrs. R. T. Boyd, \$200; Mrs. L. A. Collins, \$100; Mrs. C. Eversole, \$300; Mrs. D. N. Gilbert, \$300; Mrs. N. S. Greenaway, \$250; Mrs. G. D. Hamilton, \$200; Mrs. J. E. Read, \$100; Mrs. John Roberts, \$400; Mrs. D. E. Reese, \$200; Mrs. S. G. Valiant, \$100; Mrs. T. M. Wilson, \$200; Mrs. W. T. Wright, \$100; Mrs. F. G. Wright, \$150; Mrs. J. F. Whiteside, \$150.

2. We recommend that eleven hundred dollars for distribution, be assessed on the various charges of the District on the pro rata basis of the President's salary (see Financial Report, II.)

3. We also recommend that the pastors be urged to use the Life Membership Certificates in collecting money for investment.

J.—See page 15.

LITERATURE.

The Committee on Literature would respectfully report, in regard to THE METHODIST PROTESTANT and Baltimore Book Concern, that they have carefully examined Rev. Dr. Drinkhouse's report to the Conference, which was re-

ferred to them, and find much therein to encourage and cheer the hearts of all who are interested in these important Church enterprises. It is stated that the financial condition is better than for a number of years past, that the stock is worth \$6,479.78, and that there is an actual cash surplus, partly invested, of \$2,491, clear of all liabilities, not including merchandise, etc. The large cash surplus is attributed, in great measure, to the enforcement of the prepayment plan under instructions from the "Board of Publication," and in accord with the views of the Conference.

The circulation of THE METHODIST PROTESTANT, although not so large as twelve months ago, because of the enforcement of the prepayment plan, is believed to be on a more reliable basis. Paying subscriptions have come in at an average rate of one hundred per month, and the prospect is that this average will be increased for the future.

The plan recommended by the Conference of 1881, reducing the price of the paper to \$2 per annum, under an implied pledge of one thousand new subscribers, was adopted as soon as the requisite authority of the "Board of Publication" could be obtained, and the pastors were at once advised of the same and furnished with copies of the paper for gratuitous distribution to aid them in canvassing their fields of labor for new subscribers. The result has been very successful in so far as earnest effort has been put forth. One pastor has already sent in 60 new subscribers, another 23, another 11, and about twenty others have reported favorably; but a large number, it must be presumed, have made little, if any, effort to make good the pledge of *one thousand* new subscribers. The Editor's calculation is, that the increase thus far is only about one-third of the promised number, but he has reason to believe that, as this increase was obtained from fields by no means more promising than other fields that have not been so faithfully canvassed, it only needs the proper effort on these fields to make good at a very early day the pledge of the *one thousand* new subscribers. Your committee would, therefore, earnestly recommend such action on the part of the Conference as may secure the general co-operation of the pastors.

The editor and publisher expresses his sense of special indebtedness to Rev. Dr. Webster, Rev. J. D. Kinzer, Bro. N. T. Meginnis and Miss Mary E. Frame for helpful and valuable service in the Sunday school literature. The circulation of the BIBLE SCHOOL Series, published in five forms, is now about *thirty-five thousand* copies. Still there are Sunday schools, even within the Maryland Conference bounds, that have not yet adopted for use our Sunday school papers. Your committee, being satisfied that these schools cannot be better supplied than by our own Book Concern, neither as to the character and intrinsic merits of the literature nor as to price, recommend that the Conference emphasize the duty of all the pastors to see to the introduction of our own S. S. papers in all our Sunday-schools.

The new Hymnal, entitled "The Tribute of Praise and Methodist Protestant Hymn-book," recently adopted by the Hymn-book Committee of the General Conference, is in course of publication, and will be on sale at an early day by the agent, Bro. W. J. C. Dulany. We recommend that the Conference pass suitable resolutions of approval of this publication, and urging the propriety of its speedy introduction in all our churches.

We also recommend that the Conference advise the purchase of books from Bro. W. J. C. Dulany, agent, in preference to others, terms being satisfactory, because of the indirect pecuniary interest of the Methodist Protestant Church in the success of said agent.

K.—See page 16.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sabbath Schools beg leave to report that while great and permanent good has been accomplished by this important adjunct of the Church during the year, and that while the future is full of hope, yet we deem it necessary to call attention to some facts, which, in a measure, defeat the chief object of this institution. Namely :

1. The introduction of books of a pernicious character into our libraries.
2. The custom which obtains in certain rural districts of closing schools during the winter.

We, however, learn with pleasure that the above evils have materially diminished during the year, and we desire to keep this matter before the Church till it becomes a thing of the past.

3. We can but regard the too common practice of relieving the children of our schools from attendance upon the *public* services of the sanctuary as one fraught with great mischief, and as a custom which we shou'd labor to correct. In this connection we most earnestly recommend that parents, teachers and superintendents act in concert with the pastor to secure this end.

4. We observe with deep regret that the Sunday school is, in too many instances, regarded as a *substitute* for family government, discipline and oversight, which God and nature have taught us should be exercised by parents themselves. This impression we should earnestly seek to remove.

5 *Believing that much of the work done at former sessions of this Conference has failed to accomplish the desired results we deem it a matter of wisdom to advise that it be made obligatory upon pastors to bring these resolutions to the attention of the Sunday schools of their respective charges, and in every prudent way urge them to be governed thereby.*

We further submit the following : 1. That as it has become the custom at camp-meetings to devote a portion of the time to the children, we hail this as a step in the right direction, and recommend that this custom be perpetuated. 2. We learn, with deep regret, that there is great laxity on the part of superintendents and officers in allowing the introduction of theatrical performances into our Sunday schools, and trust that all lovers of Christ will use their influence to place such pernicious practices under ban. 3. It is with great pleasure we learn that most of our Sunday-schools use our own literature, and hope that pastors will urge schools under their supervision, which do not patronize it, to do likewise. 4. In conclusion, be it resolved that pastors arrange with superintendents to hold *special* meetings, to which the *members* of the church shall be particularly invited, that the church may be brought into closer connection with this important work.

L.—See page 16.

TEMPERANCE.

Your committee are happy to report that the Temperance cause, in its aspect both as a religious and civil question, is making substantial progress within the bounds of this Conference, and also in many other parts of our common country. The great moral wrong of the legalized traffic, the glaring inconsistency of all direct and indirect countenance and support thereof by professing Christians, and the religious duty of total abstinence for personal safety and good example, are principles which are deepening in their hold upon the Christian conscience, and widening in their influence and power upon the public mind. Prohibitory law, following upon the heels of temperance conquests, render them secure and permanent. The crime breeding and soul-destroying traffic in intoxicating beverages has been banished by law from ten counties of the State by the enforcement of prohibitory laws, and it is believed that the question of license will be submitted to five more by the present Legislature. Thus the law of the land is following the advances of a correct and healthy public sentiment, and establishing it on a solid foundation.

Your committee respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. That the time has come for the Church to take a bold and uncompromising stand against the traffic in alcoholic liquors, and to put forth extraordinary efforts for its overthrow; that the pastors in this Conference are urged to great activity in creating and supporting temperance sentiment.

2. That Sunday-school superintendents and teachers are requested to give special attention to the instruction of the children of the Church in the facts, doctrines and principles of temperance as found in the Word of God.

3. That we recognize the Maryland State Temperance Alliance as a grand and honored agency of the temperance work of this State, worthy to command the sympathy, aid and co operation of our pastors and people; also that we recognize the "Woman's Christian Temperance Union" as a valuable auxiliary, doing a good work, and we bid it God-speed.

M.—See page 17.

BIBLE CAUSE.

The Committee on Bible Cause beg leave to report: The collections during the year amount to \$168.80, and from Mrs. T. A. Reese \$200—making a total of \$368.80.

We recommend the following as Life Directors: Rev. W. J. Floyd and Rev. A. J. Walter. And for Life Members: Rev. W. H. Stone and Rev. F. C. Klein.

Mrs. T. A. Reese will give direction to the amount contributed by her.

N.—See page 17

FRATERNAL RELATIONS.

Your Committee on Fraternal Relations beg leave to report their great pleasure at the reception of a letter from Rev. C. A. Sturm, setting forth the fact of his appointment as fraternal messenger from the Pennsylvania Conference, M. P. Church, to this body, and the warm fraternal greetings contained in said letter. We regret that our brother could not be personally present.

We heartily reciprocate the expressions of good will, and desire to express our sympathy for our sister Conference in the deep trials and afflictions which have tried them, and pray the Great Head of the Church to bring them through in safety. We recommend that a messenger from this body be appointed to the ensuing session of the Pennsylvania Conference.

Resolved, 2d. We are highly gratified to hear from Rev. Francis Brown, pastor of the colored M. P. Church, Charleston, S. C., the very remarkable prosperity and growth of the M. P. Church among the colored population in that city and State, under the efficient superintendence of himself and his coadjutors.

We acknowledge, with pleasure the visits of Rev. Thomas Wells, Rev. Isaac Jones and Bro. Perry Grey, fraternal messengers from the Baltimore Conference, M. P. Church, and Rev. E. W. Scott and Rev. J. H. Manly, fraternal messengers from the Maryland Conference of the colored M. P. Church, and rejoice in the encouraging condition of the work among them.

❶.—See page 14.

MINISTERIAL SUPPLY OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

The Committee on Ministerial Supply Outside of the District beg leave to report as follows:

1. That the request of the Montgomery Station, Alabama, for the return of their pastor, Rev. S. R. Murray, for another Conference year be granted.
2. That the request of the First Church, Pittsburgh, for the return of their pastor, Rev. J. J. Murray, D. D., the ensuing Conference year be granted.
3. We recommend that the Conference now decide whether or not there is any legal difficulty in the way of Dr. Murray's return to First M. P. Church, Pittsburgh, in 1883, should an application to this effect then be made by said church.
4. With regard to the loan of Rev. A. D. Murray as assistant pastor to the First M. P. Church, Pittsburgh; your committee feel constrained to report adversely.
5. We recommend that the request of Heathsville Circuit for the return of their pastor, Rev. H. E. Miskimon, the ensuing Conference year, be granted.

❷.—See page 17.

WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE.

The Committee on Western Maryland College beg leave to report, that we have examined all the papers and statements from the President of the College, the Educational Endowment Society, and other sources. Your committee, in view of the importance of communicating to the Maryland District and the Church at large, full and accurate information as to the present status of the College as an educational institution, and as to the College debt and its liquidation under the plan endorsed by this Conference, submit as their report the report of the President of the College, as herewith appended, and the Educational Endowment Society.

We have been governed in this determination by the fact that we find it impracticable to give the full and accurate information which is desired by any condensation of these reports. They are therefore submitted for publication in the Minutes.

Your committee further report, that the collection for College purposes, and ordered by the Conference for the past year to be used in liquidating the College debt, amounts in the aggregate to \$337.31. The items according to stations and circuits will be found in the Conference Steward's report.

We recommend that, in view of the establishment of the Theological School, and the importance of its financial support, independently of the College receipts, the College collections for the ensuing year be devoted to the support of the Theological School, and that the pastors be enjoined to emphasize this object, when they make this collection.

Q.—See page 11.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE.

To the President and Members of the Maryland Annual Conference, in Session at Broadway Church, Baltimore, March, 1882:

RESPECTED BRETHREN: I have the honor and pleasure of reporting, that Western Maryland College, which is under your fostering care, has, since my last report to you, been in a more prosperous condition than ever before. The number of students enrolled during the Collegiate year ending June, 1881, was 126; since the beginning of the current Collegiate year, there have been enrolled, up to this time, 136. Nearly all our students are from localities within the bounds of your Conference jurisdiction, and I think a large number of them were attracted to the College by the favorable representations of members of your body. I am sure that your influence for the institution is powerful and important, and therefore respectfully ask the continuance of kind exertion on the part of all the ministers and lay delegates of the churches for the support of the College so long as its work may appear to them satisfactory and worthy of commendation.

The aid which has been received from the State Legislature for several years has been of great service to the College, in return for which the College has, I think, rendered great service to the State, in educating young men and women, who, I trust, will become very useful, especially as citizens and teachers. Already a number of State scholars have finished the course with us, and are successfully engaged in teaching, and of the Class to graduate in June next—nineteen in number—nearly half are State scholars, and will become teachers, at least for the period stipulated in their acceptance of the scholarships.

The number of students who contemplate devoting their lives to the ministry of the Gospel is two more than last year, namely, fourteen; and six of the number are receiving aid, in the way of loans on easy conditions, from the "Board of Ministerial Education of the Methodist Protestant Church." These young brethren were all recommended as proper persons to receive such aid by the Maryland Annual Conference. I will communicate to your committee all required particular information as to these brethren, only stating in this report the general fact that they have all proved themselves worthy of the aid afforded them. The studies they have been pursuing are almost entirely those of the regular College curriculum. Our experience in the years during which we have endeavored to give students of this class some training having special reference to the ministry, additional to instruction in literature, science and the classics, has fully convinced us of the indispensable necessity of an important change in this department of our work; particularly, it has convinced us that it is utterly impracticable to carry students through even the most limited theological course, with any satisfactory degree of success, at the same time that they are pursuing the regular College course. Our present conviction is, that we need a special department for theological training, into which students may enter and pursue the theological course, either devoting all the time to it; or else, if any other studies are pursued by them, that those studies be subordinate, and not as now the principal ones pursued. The committee appointed at your last session and a similar committee appointed by the Board of Trustees

of the College have had this whole subject under consideration, and will no doubt submit to you the results of their deliberations, which I sincerely hope will lead to such action on your part as will secure advantages in the College superior to any it could hitherto give as to the preparation of young men for the ministry. And I am sure that the Church at large will appreciate anything you may do in this connection, and co-operate in carrying out such plan as you may adopt; for this is the feature of our College work in which the Church is most deeply interested. I am persuaded that the friends of the College within the bounds of the Methodist Protestant Church, if not in the Maryland Conference alone, would freely and speedily contribute funds sufficient for making really efficient a Theological Department in connection with the College, and for aiding young men who may need aid to have the advantages thereof. Many who have contributed liberally toward the support of the institution in its general work, would, I have no doubt, gladly add contributions to this special end, and many more would contribute to this that could not be induced to help otherwise.

The widening influence of the College makes it very important that we should have additional buildings, but it can hardly be expected that the Conference should (aside from what may be necessary in the Theological Department) initiate steps for the supply of this need. I trust there will be developed such liberality among citizens of Carroll county and of Western Maryland (who certainly ought to be specially interested in this matter) to put up all the buildings needed.

With earnest prayer for God's blessing upon your session, I am, dear brethren, yours respectfully,

J. T. WARD,

Pres't W. M. College.

R.—See page 12.

MARYLAND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT SOCIETY.

The Directors of "The Maryland Educational Endowment Society of the Methodist Protestant Church of Baltimore City," respectfully report that, in co-operation with the Board of Trustees of the Western Maryland College, they have carried out the plan for liquidating the College debt to the extent hereinafter stated.

The plan, as we understood it, contemplated the raising by subscription on notes bearing interest in the name of this Society, through the agency of Rev. J. B. Walker, a sum stated in round numbers at \$25,000, or so much thereof as might be necessary to relieve the College property of all liens and mortgages, so as to secure it to the Methodist Protestant Church through this Society, by its virtual transfer, so that the subscriptions made on the plan should be so secured that there would be no possibility of default. said subscriptions to be payable only when in the judgment of the College Trustees a sufficient sum had been secured to remove all the liens and mortgages from the College property. Accordingly at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Western Maryland College, the following exhibit was made, and that it may be plain to the Conference we give an abstract from the minutes themselves:

ABSTRACT OF MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR JUNE 15-16, 1881.

After hearing the reports of the Local Board and College Agent, it was

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to consider the best method to adopt, and the earliest period that can be named, for the liquidation of the College debt, as based upon the reports of the Local Board and the College Agent.

The chair (J. W. Thompson) named as the committee: J. T. Murray, J. W. Hering, E. J. Drinkhouse.

The committee reported the following:

To the Board of Trustees of Western Maryland College:

Your committee appointed to examine the financial exhibits made by the Local Committee and the Agent, and to report to the Board of Trustees at their

present meeting the best method to be adopted, and the earliest period named, at which the plan for the payment of the College debt can be brought to a close, beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the statement of indebtedness, and the exhibits showing the assets, and find the following to be the facts, as so ascertained :

Amount of cash in bank.....	\$9,379 92
Westminster subscriptions, payable on demand.....	4,500.00
Donation St. John's Beneficent Board.....	1,000 00
Donation of Mrs. Tamsey A. Reese.....	500.00
Reliable notes and subscriptions from sundry persons.....	3 345 00
Amount due College and available in payment of old floating debt..	2,000.00

Present available assets.....\$20,724 92

Indebtedness to be provided for as follows :

Mortgages and other lien claims, with interest to July 1, 1881.....	\$19 401.41
Old floating debt.....	3 283.89
Amount of certificates received in payment of subscriptions.....	850 00

\$23 532.30

From which deduct 15 per cent. of items, \$19,401 41 and \$3,283 89,
which Board will request claimants to hold..... \$3,402.80

\$20,132.50

Present available assets.....	\$20,724 92
Claims to be immediately provided for, as above.....	\$20,132.50

\$592 42

In making this statement, the committee have thrown out \$1.250 of subscriptions of the total of \$4,665, marked good by the Agent, and have taken no account of \$1.057 which he reports as hopeful.

The supplement to the statement of the Local Committee shows that the earnings of the College for the past year were \$2,431.43 in excess of the current expenses and interest upon the debt.

We have reason to believe that the earnings, in excess of expenses, for the coming year will be equal to those of the past year, to which will be added about \$1,000 of interest, the payment of which will be saved to the Board in the settlement herein provided for.

These two items would aggregate the sum of \$3,431 43, and constitute the excess of earnings by the College for the coming year, and would liquidate the item of \$3,402.80, being the 15 per cent. of debt remaining at present unpaid : taking no account of the item of \$592 42 in statement, nor of the amount of 10 cents per member, assessed by the Maryland Annual Conference for College purposes, an aggregate, say of from \$1,200 to \$1,500.

The remaining debt to be provided for would be as follows :

15 per cent. of debt, as before stated.....	\$3,402 80
Claim due Mrs. Devilbiss and Wm. T. Smith, for which note of ten persons are held, including interest to July 1, 1881.....	3,045 00
Certificates unredeemed.....	800 00

\$7,247.80

From which deduct College earnings, in excess, for coming year.....	\$3 431 48
Item in statement.....	592 42
Conference College Collection at minimum.....	1,200 00
	\$5,223 90

Net balance unprovided for..... \$2,023 90

Our expectation for the payment of the remaining \$2,023 90 is based upon reductions which may be reasonably expected up in the case settlement of claims

and further responses to the Agent's appeals, of which he shows an earnest of \$600 in his report.

In view of the foregoing, we recommend that the Board of Trustees fix upon the 1st day of August, 1881, as the day upon which all mortgages and other lien claims against Western Maryland shall be paid and released, and that the President of the Board be authorized in the name of the Board to execute a deed of mortgage to the Maryland Educational Endowment Society of the Methodist Protestant Church of Baltimore City, for such sum as shall aggregate the amount of existing liens against the College property, and such other indebtedness as said Society now holds against said College. Respectfully submitted,

J. T. MURRAY,
J. W. HERING.
E. J. DRINKHOUSE.

June 16, 1881.

The proposition to accept 85 per cent. of their claims was submitted to the creditors, the principals being present at the meeting, and without dissent they agreed so to release their mortgages.

On the presentation of these facts to our Society we were satisfied that the conditions of the plan for liquidating the debt could be complied with, and agreed to meet the 85 per cent. out of subscriptions in cash then in hand to our credit, and thereby secure to our Society a transfer of the College property to us, free of all incumbrance, as we believed that to be the objective of the Annual Conference in endorsing the plan on which the subscriptions were raised. Accordingly, by previous appointment, we met at Westminster, Md., the Board of Trustees of the College, and cheques were drawn by our Treasurer, Luther J. Cox, for the following sums: John Smith, \$8,574.28; Isaac C. Baile, \$1,238.59; J. W. Hering, Cashier Union National Bank, \$1,700; Geo. R. Gehr, Cashier First National Bank, to pay note of Yingling and others, borrowed on College account, \$1,275; W. A. Cunningham, Cashier Farmers and Mechanics' Bank, \$595; E. A. Grimes for claim of Edward Lynch, \$450; J. W. Hering for lien claims of David Engler, Jas. W. Beacham and J. Reifsnider, \$677.12.

The balance in our hands was then paid to the Treasurer of Western Maryland College to cover, as far as it would go, the floating indebtedness.

In consideration of the foregoing cheques and the former indebtedness of said Board of College Trustees to this Society, the Board of Trustees of the Western Maryland College executed a mortgage note for \$24,300, with interest payable annually, which note was passed to the Treasurer of this Society, Luther J. Cox. The mortgage deed was recorded, and is now in our possession. Thus the Church through this Society, the creature of the Maryland Annual Conference and absolutely under its direction and control, is secured beyond all peradventure in the sum of \$24,300, and covers all monies contributed and used for the benefit of the College, not only on the plan for liquidating the debt, known as the Walker plan, but the previous liens lifted by us by other assessments made upon the Maryland District, and all other monies ever contributed by our Church through its membership towards the College.

A small floating debt remains unsecured, except by notes of the Trustees, for which the property in no event could be made liable, of \$2,452.82. This debt will remain in part because of a default on the part of subscribers to the Walker plan to the amount of \$1,852.48.

The situation in brief, then, is as follows: The College property is ours by deed of mortgage for the sum of \$24,300. No further debt can therefore be incurred for which the College property could be bound without the consent of the Endowment Society holding the mortgage, or that of this Conference, to which it is amenable. The floating debt not secured, except by note of College Trustees, will be so far liquidated, that by the next College Commencement in June proximo, it will be less than \$2,500, unless there be further shrinkage of estimated receipts. Bearing in mind that the College is more than meeting its own current expenses, the Trustees believe this sum to be easily manageable.

BALTIMORE, March 8th, 1882.

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FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The work of the Foreign Mission agencies of the Church during the year has been attended with gratifying success. The Board reports about forty girls and boys in the Yokohama mission under the charge of two resident lady missionaries. It is proposed to make special and immediate effort to secure a Home for this mission, a suitable property valued at \$12,000 being in view; and also to send an ordained minister to have general oversight of the work in Japan. To accomplish these purposes during the year is not impracticable, if a just sense of their importance be entertained by the Church and ministry.

2. The assessment levied upon the Maryland District by the Board of Missions for the ensuing year is \$1,800. The pastors of the various charges are urged to inform themselves and their congregations as to the merits and necessities of this great work now agitating the Church throughout the world as never before; and by zealously raising this assessment, by appropriate services and the quarterly collections in the Sunday schools, by occasional sermons and by the distribution of proper literature, do their utmost to enkindle an enthusiasm heretofore unfelt in our communion to perform that part in evangelizing the pagan world that our age and strength as a denomination demand, and for which the opportunity is now open in the Providence of God.

3. The Conference heartily reaffirms its endorsement of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the general Church, recognizing to how great an extent past success has been due to its labor and how much depends upon it for the fulfillment of hopes for the future, we commend it to the generous encouragement of the Board, bid it God speed in the Master's dear name, and invoke the prayers and help of the whole Church in its behalf.

4. In response to the action of the last Conference, the ladies named in its request met in St. John's Church, Baltimore, April, 1881, and organized the Maryland Conference Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. President, Mrs. J. T. Murray; Vice Presidents—Mrs. Zollickoffer, Mrs. Starr, and Mrs. Jones; Recording Secretary, Miss Jane R. Roberts; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. A. R. O'Brien; Treasurer, Mrs. E. Tyler; Auditor, Mrs. C. A. Benjamin, and a Board of Managers.

During the year this Society made request of the various pastors to create local societies; this was done in but seven instances in the entire District. The collections of the Society amounted to \$151.09, its expenses \$34.06. The ready response of these ladies to Conference request, their zealous interest and courageous purpose in the face of small encouragement cannot be too warmly commended, nor too earnestly emulated. In many charges much can be done in the name of woman's work for women that cannot be done in the name of any other means to Christianize the world. If this main purpose did not justify ardor in this action, it should be enough that it affords a sphere where the intense but too often unemployed devotion of Christian women can be thrown into work, that must be the most wholesome schooling for their own piety and that they can feel to be of great and vital moment to the cause of Christ. It is necessary that the pastors take the initiative and lend their continual encouragement if such societies are to be established.

It may be well to state further, that while the Discipline enjoins that the

Woman's Missionary Society in its methods of raising funds shall in no way interfere with the collections to be taken in the churches and schools for the Board of Missions, yet these bodies are both equally recognized, honored agencies of the Church, and their monies are appropriated in the present state of the mission work to the same purposes.

In conclusion, the committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That it be made the duty of the President to see that pastors attend to the duties specified in the foregoing, and in the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions made to the last Annual Conference.

T.—See page 16.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Your committee, to whom was referred the subject of Ministerial Education, would report the following for adoption :

We are happy to learn from the last annual report of the Board, and other sources of information, that the work committed to its care is being carried forward vigorously under the plan adopted by the General Conference.

During the year which ended June last, the Board had in its treasury the sum of \$3,227.58, of which \$600.66 was contributed by the Maryland Annual Conference. We also learn that during the present year there are about forty candidates for the ministry at Adrian and Western Maryland Colleges—twenty-eight at the former and twelve at the latter. Of these, fourteen are being aided by the Board—eight of whom are at Adrian and six at Western Maryland. The amount required to meet the obligations of the Board to these young men is \$200 per month, besides other necessary expenses. Several of these candidates will complete their literary course in June next, and some of them will apply for work at their approaching Conferences, while others desire to remain at the Colleges, and to pursue their studies further in the department of theology.

The Board renews its request for an appropriation from each Annual Conference of at least an average of 10 cents per member for the present year.

We are pleased to learn that much care is being taken by the Board in placing the names of candidates on their roll of beneficiaries, and that faithful reports are required of the Faculty of each of the Colleges at the end of each term, showing the standing of each candidate for piety, scholarship, oratorical gifts, etc.; and in the event the report is not satisfactory, no further appropriation of money is made. The Board continues to urge the Conferences to exercise much care in the selection of candidates, that not only the truly worthy may receive assistance, but such as possess talents and gifts that promise success after they reach the ministry. The Board greatly desires, as far as possible, to aid young men in the last part of their course, so as to get them into the field as early as possible and with the smallest expenditure.

Your committee take great pleasure in endorsing the present movement for giving a more thorough course of theological studies in our Colleges, and recommend that, as far as possible, our young men be encouraged to remain and make full preparation for their work in this department. In conclusion we offer the following resolutions for adoption :

1st. That it is cause for sincere gratitude that God is calling so many of our young men to the work of the ministry.

2d. That this Conference hereby renews its former pledges of co operation and support to this important work, and that the Secretary be directed to place in tabular form in the printed Minutes the desired apportionment of 10 cents per member opposite the name of each charge, as was done last year.

3d. That our pastors frequently present the importance of this cause to the people, that they may become more intelligent on the subject, and more fully prepared to give it their support. Also that each one bring up the full assessment for the coming year if possible.

4th. That the Corresponding Secretary of the Board, Rev. J. B. Walker, be afforded opportunity to address the Conference on the subject.

U.—See page 14.

ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Your committee congratulate the Conference on the cheering intelligence of peace and prosperity, both temporal and spiritual, brought from all parts of the District by the Executive. Six new houses of worship have been built or been brought near completion during the past Conference year. More than \$12,000 have been expended on church improvements. Two new parsonages have been added to the list. New charges have been organized, and our membership increased by 714 additions.

Your committee note with recommendations the following items:

1. We endorse the President's recommendation that the new charge at Chester, Pa., be brought to the attention of the Missionary Committee, to ascertain its needs and provide for them.

2. We approve of the President's course in regard to the Williamsport Church, and recommend that its affairs be left under his advisement and management until consummated.

3. See Resolutions, 4.

4. We endorse the President's recommendation that a committee, of which the Executive shall be chairman, be appointed to examine certain local preachers on the South Carolina work at the end of a specified period of preparatory study, and, if qualified, ordain them elders.

5. We call the practical attention of the Conference to the impediments noted by the President in the way of the more rapid progress of our work. One, the inadequate financial support of many of our preachers, and especially those in the missionary work. The other, the want of a liberal spirit on the part of very many of our members in ministerial support.

6. Your committee call the serious attention of the Conference to the delinquent list on the President's salary, which argues not penury on the part of the charges, nor dereliction of duty on the part of the President, but moral qualities which we recommend your venerable body to determine, and devise means to prevent in future this violation of sacred vows.

V.—See page 11.

CONFERENCE ROLL.

The committee to whom was referred the Roll of Conference prepared by the Secretary of Conference, beg leave to report that they recommend the adoption the report.

W.—See page 15.

RELIEF OF FIRST CHURCH.

The committee to whom was referred the communication from First Church, Washington, D. C., most respectfully beg leave to report: That they find the church involved by a judgment obtained by Jacob D. Wilson; who, on retiring from the pastorate of said church, employed counsel and entered suit for the amount of his unpaid salary. Judgment was given against the church for \$709.80. Of course they are unprepared to meet the pressing demand. Though they have raised about \$80, and have the assurance that the whole matter can be compromised by paying the sum of \$309, yet they are unprepared at present to do so; therefore be it.

Resolved, 1st. That we as a Conference deeply sympathize with them in their embarrassed condition, and earnestly recommend them to the confidence and sympathy of all who will voluntarily contribute to their relief.

Resolved, 2d. That we request the pastor to seek help for them from abroad, or wherever in his judgment it can be properly obtained.

X.—See page 16.

SUB-DISTRICTS.

RESOLUTION PASSED BY SUB-DISTRICT NO. 7.

WHEREAS, The Sub-District Conferences are often sparsely attended, and, in some instances have gone by default, thus creating much embarrassment to the chairman and the members in attendance, as well as the churches where they are held:

Resolved, That we respectfully ask the Maryland Annual Conference, either to declare the inexpediency of holding Sub-District Conferences, or make it the official duty of members to attend.

Report of committee to whom was referred the above:

Your committee respectfully report, that the Sub-District Conference is an institution of the Church, and the Conference has no discretion with regard to them. It is the duty of the Conference to provide for holding them, and we recommend that non-attendance, without good excuse, bar the passage of official character.

Y.—See page 18.

POLYGAMY.

The practice of polygamy in defiance of the laws of the United States and in derogation of the Divine institution of matrimony calls for the unqualified condemnation of every patriot, philanthropist and Christian. We have viewed with alarm the increase of this destructive evil, and with indignation the open defiance of law and covert attempt to render salutary enactments ineffectual. We call upon every good citizen to denounce the evil, and the Congress of the United States, by the enactment of such additional laws as may be necessary, and by the exclusion of polygamists from places of public trust, to put the seal of its emphatic condemnation upon the vile iniquity.

Z.—See page 18.

SABBATH BREAKING.

Regarding the reverent observance of the Lord's Day, or Christian Sabbath, as essential not only to the prevalence of pure and undefiled religion, but to the

preservation of all that is most valuable in our social and domestic institutions, the Conference cannot regard without deep concern the frequent and flagrant violations of the Sabbath by corporations and individuals; nor can it be insensible to the fact that even among professors of religion there are not wanting some who fail to recognize the Divine origin and perpetual obligation of this beneficent institution. We exhort all our members to "remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy;" and enjoin upon our pastors to enforce this admonition in frequent and earnest discourses upon the subject.

Aa.—See page 14.

MISSIONARY STEWARD.

PAYMENTS TO HOME MISSIONS MARYLAND CONFERENCE.

	Appropriations.	Paid.	Deficiency.
Deficiency of 1881.....	\$779.35	\$779.35	.....
Alexandria.....	100.00	33.00	\$67.00
Amelia.....	150.00	49.50	100.50
Crompton.....	100.00	33.00	67.00
Harrington.....	150.00	49.50	100.50
Hull-Street.....	250.00	82.50	167.50
Potomac.....	50.00	16.50	33.50
Salisbury.....	100.00	33.00	67.00
Snow Hill.....	200.00	67.02	132.98
Sussex.....	150.00	49.50	100.50
Wilmington.....	250.00	82.50	167.50
	\$2,279.35	\$1,275.37	\$1,003.98

EXHIBIT HOME MISSIONS, MARYLAND CONFERENCE.

Collections from the District (see Financial Report, I.).....	\$1,266.10
Collections of dues at Conference.....	70.00
Balance from Steward of 1881.....	45
	\$1,336.55
Paid Deficiencies and Missions as above.....	\$1,275.37
Paid for Missionary Certificates.....	59.43
Paid expenses of A. W. Mather.....	1.75
	\$1,336.55

EXHIBIT GENERAL CONFERENCE HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Collections from the District (see Financial Report, I.).....	\$1,129.55
Scholarship from West Baltimore.....	40.00
Scholarship from St. John's.....	40.00
	\$1,209.55
Receipts from Treasurer.....	\$214.85
Receipts from W. F. M. S.....	282.25
Newark paid for Scholarship.....	40.00
Westminster Sunday School to W. F. M. S.....	40.00
Salisbury for W. F. M. S.....	6.00
In hand for Treasurer.....	626.45
	\$1,209.55

The above to be distributed as follows:

Foreign Missions only.....	\$504.83
Home Missions only.....	6.37
Equal distribution.....	250.10
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.....	328.25
Scholarships.....	120.00
	\$1,209.55

Bb.—See page 15.

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

Received of Treasurer, interest on Chartered Fund, \$3,742.92. Distributed as follows:

	<i>Claim.</i>	<i>Paid.</i>		<i>Claim.</i>	<i>Paid.</i>
Thomas Lee.....	\$200	\$100.13	Mrs. J. F. White-side...	\$122	\$61.30
H. J. Day.....	419	209.77	" John Roberts.....	450	225.29
J. A. McFaden.....	475	237.80	" T. M. Wilson.....	200	100.13
J. H. Ellegood.....	400	200.26	" R. T. Boyd.....	200	100.13
J. W. Everist.....	200	100.13	" F. G. Wright.....	170	85.35
James Thompson.....	500	250.32	" N. S. Greenaway..	250	125.16
D. F. Ewell.....	384	192.24	" W. T. Wright.....	200	100.13
W. T. Dumm.....	330	165.20	" D. E. Reese.....	300	150.19
I. T. Adkins.....	490	200.26	" D. Bowers.....	250	125.16
J. K. Nichols.....	250	125.16	" S. G. Valiant.....	200	100.13
Mrs. G. D. Hamilton...	200	100.13	" W. C. Ames.....	400	200.26
" L. A. Collins.....	200	100.13	" J. E. Read.....	100	50.06
" C. Eversole.....	500	250.32	" T. M. Bryan.....	175	87.78

\$7475 \$3742.92

Received Collections from District (see Financial Report, I.)..... \$826.69

Received from J. A. Weigand, dues of members..... 59.00

In hand from last year (special collection)..... 55.00

\$940.69

Paid Claimants as below..... \$712.31

Paid Treasurer for Investment..... 149.38

Distributed during the year..... 10.00

Paid Corresponding Secretary and Steward..... 3.00

In hand for distribution (special collection)..... 59.00

In hand from Montgomery (late)..... 7.00

\$940.69

Distribution of Collection:

	<i>Claim</i>	<i>Paid.</i>		<i>Claim.</i>	<i>Paid.</i>
Thomas Lee.....	\$400	\$30.12	Mrs. J. F. Whiteside.	\$200	\$15.06
H. J. Day.....	500	37.73	" John Roberts ..	500	37.73
J. A. McFaden.....	500	37.73	" T. M. Wilson ..	200	15.06
J. H. Ellegood.....	400	30.12	" R. T. Boyd....	200	15.06
J. W. Everist.....	200	15.06	" F. G. Wright...	200	15.06
James Thompson...	500	37.73	" N.S. Greenaway	650	48.94
D. F. Ewell.....	500	37.73	" W. T. Wright.	200	15.06
W. T. Dumm.....	500	37.73	" D. E. Reese....	300	22.60
I. T. Adkins.....	450	33.88	" D. Bowers.....	500	37.73
J. K. Nichols.....	450	33.88	" S. G. Valiant..	200	15.06
Mrs. G. D. Hamilton.	200	15.06	" W. C. Ames...	500	37.73
" L. A. Collins...	200	15.06	" J. E. Read.....	300	22.60
" C. Eversole....	500	37.73	" T. M. Bryan...	200	15.06

\$9,450 \$712.31

Cc.—See page 18.

PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS.

<i>President.</i>	T. D. VALIANT.....	8 Parkin St., Baltimore, Md.
<i>Accomac.</i>	W. A. Crouse.....	Lee Mont, Va.
<i>Alexandria.</i>	S. B. Tredway.....	Alexandria, Va.
<i>All Saints.</i>	Unsupplied.	
<i>Amelia</i>	E. R. McGregor.....	Norfolk, Va.
<i>Anne Arundel.</i>	{ W. J. Floyd.....	Brooklyn, Md.
	{ W. F. Roberts.....	Brooklyn, Md.

Baltimore.....	{ R. T. Smith.....	Towson, Md.
	{ J. M. Gill.....	Warren, Md.
Bedford.....	S. T. Ferguson.....	Cumberland Valley, Pa.
Belair.....	B. F. Benson.....	Belair, Md.
Broadway.....	A. D. Murray.....	118 Chew St., Baltimore, Md.
Cambridge.....	J. S. Bowers.....	Cambridge, Md.
Campbell.....	Unsupplied.	
Caroline.....	{ G. Q. Bacchus.....	Burrsville, Md.
	{ J. L. Duncan.....	Burrsville, Md.
Cecil.....	D. A. Shermer.....	Bayview, Md.
Centreville.....	D. L. Greenfield.....	Centreville, Md.
Chesapeake.....	D. W. Bates.....	Edesville, Md.
Chester.....	E. O. Ewing.....	Chester, Pa.
Chestertown.....	W. S. Hammond.....	Chestertown, Md.
Chincoteague.....	Unsupplied.	
Clayton.....	W. J. D. Lucas.....	Kenton, Del.
Concord.....	H. Bruner.....	Roxbury, Pa.
Crumpton.....	{ S. J. Smith.....	Crumpton, Md.
	{ J. B. Butler, Super'y.....	Crumpton, Md.
Cumberland.....	A. A. Harryman.....	Cumberland, Md.
Deer Creek.....	J. M. Yingling.....	Hickory, Md.
Dorchester.....	J. M. Sheridan.....	East New Market, Md.
East Baltimore.....	C. B. Middleton.....	316 E. John St., Balto., Md.
Easton.....	F. T. Tagg.....	Easton, Md.
Ellicott City.....	W. T. Valiant.....	Ellicott City, Md. [timore, Md.
Eutaw.....	J. W. Trout.....	1st Toll Gate, Harford R'd, Bal-
Fawn Grove.....	J. W. Charlton.....	Fawn Grove, Pa.
Finksburg.....	{ W. D. Litsinger.....	Gamber, Md.
	{ G. R. McCready.....	Finksburg, Md. [ton, D. C.
First Church.....	J. W. Gray.....	5th E. and Va. Ave., Washing-
Franklin City.....	G. J. Smith.....	Franklin City, Va.
	{ J. Shreeve.....	New Market, Md.
Frederick.....	{ J. W. Balderston.....	New Market, Md.
	{ A. Baker, Super'y.....	
Frederick City.....	Unsupplied.	
Georgetown.....	{ S. B. Southerland.....	Georgetown, D. C.
	{ T. E. Coulbourn.....	Georgetown, D. C.
Guilford.....	Unsupplied.	
Hampden.....	A. D. Melvin.....	Woodberry, Md.
Harper's Ferry.....	J. G. Sullivan.....	Harper's Ferry, W. Va.
Harrington.....	J. E. Nicholson.....	Seaford, Del.
Howard.....	{ A. W. Mather.....	Lisbon, Md.
	{ G. F. Farring.....	Lisbon, Md.
Hull-Street.....	W. H. Stone.....	128 Johnson St., Baltimore.
Indian River.....	Unsupplied.	
Jackson Grove.....	Unsupplied.	
Jefferson.....	J. L. Mills.....	Frederick City, Md.
Kennedyville.....	A. J. Walter.....	Kennedyville, Md.
Kent Island.....	H. C. Cushing.....	Kent Island, Md.
Laurel.....	J. E. T. Ewell.....	Laurel, Del.
Leipsic.....	H. C. Stern.....	Leipsic, Del.
Liberty.....	{ W. J. Neepier.....	Libertytown, Md.
	{ P. L. Wilson, Super'y.....	Johnsville, Md.
Lynchburg.....	L. W. Bates.....	Lynchburg, Va.
Middlebrook.....	Unsupplied.	
Middleway.....	W. F. Livingston.....	Middleway, W. Va.
Milton.....	A. D. Dick.....	Milton, Del.
Newark.....	S. T. Graham.....	97 Walnut St., Newark, N. J
Ninth Street.....	J. T. Lassell.....	
N. Carolina Ave.....	Unsupplied.	
Pipe Creek.....	C. T. Cochel.....	Uniontown, Md.

Pittsville.....	J. R. Nichols.....	Pittsville, Md.
Pocomoke	J. L. Elderdice.....	Princess Anne, Md.
Pocomoke City.....	S. A. Hoblitzell.....	Pocomoke City, Md.
Potomac.....	W. W. White.....	Georgetown, D. C.
Powellville.....	D. W. Anstine.....	Powellville, Md.
Preston.....	A. T. Melvin.....	Preston, Md.
Quantico	Unsupplied	
Queen Anne's.....	R. L. Lewis	Ruthsburg, Md.
Rainsburg	Unsupplied.	
Rowlandsville.....	J. A. Weigand.....	Rowlandsville, Md.
St. James'.....	F. T. Little.....	Hanesville, Md.
St. Luke's.....	W. R. Graham.....	1302 Butler St., Philadelphia, Pa.
St. Michael's.....	T. O. Crouse.....	St. Michael's, Md.
Salisbury	J. M. Brown.....	Salisbury, Md.
Seaford.....	C. S. Arnett	Seaford, Del.
Snow Hill.....	W. M. Strayer.....	Snow Hill, Md.
Somers-t.....	J. M. Holmes	Crisfield, Md.
South Baltimore....	R. S. Norris	400 Light St., Baltimore, Md.
Southside.....	Unsupplied.	
Starr	C. H. Littleton.....	57 S. Poppleton St., Balto., Md.
Stewartstown	J. L. Killgore.....	Stewartstown, Pa.
Surry.....	{ E. R. McGregor.....	Norfolk, Va.
	{ R. W. Berryman, Sup..	Jones' Wharf, Va.
Susquehanna.....	C. M. Thompson.....	Level, Md.
Sussex.....	J. M. Elderdice.....	Laurel, Del.
Talbot.....	J. E. Maloy.....	Oxford, Md.
Union	J. L. Straughn.....	Russum, Md.
Warwick	J. B. Jones.....	Warwick, Md.
Washington-Street...	R. S. Rowe.....	12 N. Washington St., Balt., Md.
West Baltimore.....	{ J. D. Kinzer.....	206 N. Gilmor St., Balt., Md.
	{ T. McCormick, Super..	Park Av. & Preston St., Balt., Md.
Westminster	J. T. Murray.....	Westminster, Md.
Williamsport.....	Unsupplied.	
Wilmington.....	F. C. Klein.....	522 E. 7th St., Wilmington, Del.
Berkeley.....	E. R. Washington.....	Trial, S. C.
Charleston.....	Francis Brown.....	Charleston, S. C.
Loaned—Heathsville, H. E. Miskimon, Heathsville, Va.; Montgomery, S. R. Murray, Montgomery, Ala.; Pittsburgh, J. J. Murray, 19 Stockton Ave., Allegheny City, Pa.; St. John's, A. Webster (pastor <i>emeritus</i>), 160 McCullough St., Baltimore, Md.; Post Chaplain U. S. A., D. Wilson, Fort Meade, D. T.; Editor of THE METHODIST PROTESTANT, E. J. Drinkhouse, P. O. Box, 706 Baltimore, Md.; President W. M. College, J. T. Ward, Westminster, Md.; Principal of School of Theology, Thomas H. Lewis, Westminster, Md.		
Superannuated—J. W. Everist, D. F. Ewell, W. T. Dumm, H. J. Day, J. A. McFaden, J. H. Ellegood, Thomas Lee, James Thompson, J. K. Nichols, W. G. Holmes, F. H. Mullineaux.		
Without appointment at his own request—P. T. Hall.		
Supernumerary—J. Clay.		

SUB-DISTRICTS.

"Each Annual Conference shall divide its territory into Sub-Districts, and provide for the holding of one or more District meetings in each Sub-District every year, to be composed of all the ministers, preachers, exhorters, and Sunday-school superintendents, and one or more to be elected by the Quarterly Conference from each pastoral charge.

Each Annual Conference shall designate the chairman of its respective districts annually, who shall announce the time and place of meeting, and preside over the same. The District meeting shall seek by mutual counsel and co-operation to promote all the local and general interests of the Church, and shall provide for the efficient employment of unstationed ministers, preachers, and exhorters, by arranging as far as practicable a plan of work for each.

Annual and Quarterly Conferences shall take such measures as may be necessary to secure the attendance of their members on the sessions of the District meetings.

Each District meeting shall elect a Secretary, who shall keep a proper record of all proceedings in a book or journal provided for the purpose." Discipline, page 78.

No. 1.—D. A. Shermer, Chairman. Newark, St. Luke's, Wilmington, Chester, Cecil, Rowlandsville, Warwick, Leipsic, Clayton, Belair, Deer Creek, Susquehanna.

No. 2.—D. W. Bates, Chairman. Centreville, Chesapeake, Chestertown, Crumpton, Kennedyville, Kent Island, Queen Anne's, St. James.

No. 3.—F. T. Tagg, Chairman. Cambridge, Caroline, Dorchester, Easton, Harrington, Preston, St. Michael's, Seaford, Talbot.

No. 4.—W. M. Strayer, Chairman. Accomac, Chincoteague, Franklin City, Indian River, Laurel, Milton, Pittsville, Pocomoke, Pocomoke City, Powellville, Quantico, Salisbury, Snow Hill, Somerset, Sussex, Union.

No. 5.—R. S. Norris, Chairman. Baltimore, Broadway, East Baltimore, Ellicott City, Eutaw, Fawn Grove, Hampden, Hull-Street, South Baltimore, Starr, Stewartstown, Washington-Street, West Baltimore.

No. 6.—S. B. Southerland, Chairman. Alexandria, All Saints, Anne Arundel, First Church, Georgetown, Guilford, Jackson Grove, North Carolina Avenue, Ninth-Street, Potomac.

No. 7.—J. T. Murray, Chairman. Bedford, Concord, Cumberland, Finksburg, Frederick, Frederick City, Harper's Ferry, Howard, Jefferson, Liberty, Middlebrook, Middleway, Pipe Creek, Rainsburg, Westminster, Williamsport.

No. 8.—L. W. Bates, Chairman. Amelia, Campbell, Lynchburg, Southside, Surry.

No. 9.—Francis Brown, Chairman. Berkely, Charleston.

OBITUARY.

REV. THOMAS ASBURY MOORE

Was born in Sussex county, Del., January 14th. 1824; converted at a camp-meeting held by Rev. L. A. Collins, at the New Hope appointment on old Sussex Circuit, in 1840. His earnest devotion, exemplary conduct and developed talent soon attracted the attention of the Church, and, as an evidence of their appreciation, soon licensed him to preach, and afterward recommended him to the Maryland Annual Conference to be enrolled among its itinerant ministers. He was received at the Conference of 1845, and appointed to Newtown Circuit; in 1846 to Cambridge Circuit; in 1847 to Talbot Circuit; in 1848 to Union Circuit. In 1849, his health becoming impaired, he retired from the active work, taking an unstationed relation, which he held until 1854, when he applied again to be numbered among his brethren of the Conference, to occupy the relation of supernumerary assistant. This was in direct opposition to the views of a majority of Conference, but such was their confidence in and affection for him that he was received. Towards the close of Conference the demand for ministers was so pressing that he consented to be appointed to Sussex Circuit. This position he held until 1857, when he took and occupied a supernumerary relation for two years. In 1859 he was again appointed pastor of Sussex Circuit. In 1860 his health compelled him to decline an active relation to the Conference, and he was again appointed supernumerary assistant, mostly on fields or labor adjoining his native county, except two years he served in that relation Salem Station, Philadelphia. In 1872 he again returned to his native county and State, occupying the relation of supernumerary assistant to different charges until his departure for the heavenly world.

Bro. Moore was ordained in 1847, and married in November of the same year. After some years of a happy matrimonial life, the partner of his joys and toils left him for the society of the blessed. In 1869 he again entered the matrimonial state with the widowed sister of his former wife, to whom during her widowhood he acted the part of a friend, and a father to her fatherless children. The maiden name of these two estimable ladies was Malony, step-

daughters of Rev. Wm. Morgan, M. D., a well known unstationed minister of Sussex Circuit.

In July 2d, 1881, he laid aside his cares and toils and entered into rest. He was sick but four days. Such was the character and severity of the disease that he was unable to give expression to his feelings, leaving his devoted life and Christian integrity to testify for him. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. C. S. Arnett from 1 Thess. iv. 18—Revs. J. E. T. Ewell, M. D., J. H. Ellegood and J. E. Nicholson joining in the services, amid the throng of sorrowing friends and weeping relatives.

Bro. Moore leaves a widow and three sons to mourn his loss. As a preacher he was not eloquent, his throat affection prohibited it, but he was sensible and earnest. His devotion to the cause of Christ and the Church of his choice could not be questioned. When occupying a supernumerary relation he taxed his strength and energy to the utmost. Milton Circuit owes its existence to his wisdom, prudence and energy. He was a safe adviser, a prudent counselor, a liberal contributor, an affable companion, a firm and reliable friend. Few men commanded the confidence and affection of those with whom they were associated more than he, and especially in the town and vicinity where he lived and was best known. In the business relations of life he took an active part, and was frequently called upon to fill offices of trust and responsibility, and always to the satisfaction of the parties and with credit to himself.

In the death of Bro. Moore the Church has met with a great loss, and especially in Sussex county, Delaware.

REV. DAVID N. GILBERT.

David Norwood Gilbert was born in Harford county, Maryland, on the 10th of February, 1851, and raised under the saving influences of a Christian home. A boy always has a good start in life when he is blessed with true Christian parents.

He was led by the Holy Spirit to publicly consecrate himself to the love and service of God at a meeting held at Havre de Grace in the M. E. Church, by the Rev. C. P. Thomas, in the year 1869, and he there began his journey toward his Father's House, which he reached August 15th, 1881. He entered Western Maryland College in the year 1871 and left it in 1873 to join the Maryland Annual Conference. In 1873 he was appointed assistant on Queen Anne's Circuit; in 1874 he served in the same capacity on Cecil; and in 1875, on Anne Arundel. In 1876 he was appointed superintendent of Poconoke Circuit; in 1877 he was sent to Prince William. During this year he was married to Ida R., daughter of Thomas J. and Mary M. Hayman, of Wicomico county, Maryland. In 1878 he was appointed to Quantico; reappointed in 1879, and again in 1880; in 1881 he was sent to Kent Island, where he remained until the Master called him to higher and holier service in His presence. His death was caused by inflammation of the bowels, superinduced by what is technically known as *intussusception*.

In his life and work the Church has met with a grand success; for she called him in his youth, controlled him in his manhood, enlisted his powers of mind and body in all her enterprises, conducted him to a safe and peaceful death, and has sent him home to be with Christ after life's labors are ended. Her object is accomplished. Her triumph is complete. She is satisfied. Of course his friends mourn his absence and the Church feels her need of his work, and his ministerial brethren will sadly miss him at the Conference; but all these feelings should be buried in the glorious fact that, if we loved him, we would rejoice because he has gone to the Father. We will not think of him as dead. There is something too gloomy and sad about death to be associated in the mind with David N. Gilbert. The mental picture shall not be the pale face in the coffin, but as we saw him last Spring at Cumberland; and our picture is a laughing picture of health which shall never fade nor grow dim with years. Bro. Gilbert possessed by nature an uninterrupted flow, or rather *overflow*, of spirits which he did not desire to restrain, but which found vent in continued cheerfulness

and innocent mirth. Men are as they are born. Religion only changes them from sin to holiness, leaving the groundwork of the character and disposition the same. He was born with a social, fun-loving, laughing nature, which his religion did not destroy, but simply kept in proper bounds. He was a delightful companion, for his cheerfulness was contagious, and no one could be sad where he was. Possessed of a keen sense for the ridiculous, a retentive memory, and a ready utterance, the group of which he was the centre was a very lively group. Of the more important elements of character, the most prominent in him was independence. He possessed a strong will, was not easily influenced, generally followed his own counsel, and was willing others should do the same. There was no taint of toadyism, no fear of what others thought or said, nor thought of man-worship in his composition. A public man may be a little too regardless of public opinion for his own good and the good of the cause he represents; and this, we think, was a failing at times with him; but a failing for which we could not love him less, and which would have entirely disappeared as years and experience increased. These two elements of character, mirthfulness and independence, exposed him at times to the unfavorable criticism of persons who think a minister should be always serious and generally subservient. To such persons he was an enigma when he entered the pulpit, for there he was a changed man. His gayety was gone, his manner was impressive, his words and spirit earnest, his sermons clear, Scriptural, forcible, and spiritual, which were not only entertaining to the generality of his hearers, but food and drink to the more spiritual members of his congregation. These things we personally know to be true, and as his friends, wish to "Honor him with truth, if not with praise." In looking back over his life and character, as seen by his friends, we can truly say David N. Gilbert was a manly man, a sincere, open-hearted friend; a man who tried to please God and benefit his fellows; a delightful companion, a good preacher, an earnest Christian, who has finished his work on earth and gone home to God. In the last hour of his life, when mortification had taken place and the power of speech was gone, a friend asked him if he could testify for Jesus by raising his hand; with a great effort he raised his hand for Jesus and then suddenly dropped it upon the bed, and soon all was over. This was his last sermon—only a gesture—the hand raised for Jesus; but it pointed toward heaven, where we expect to meet him when life's labors are o'er and we shall discover with joy that the dead-roll of our Conference is a correct transcript of one page in the Lamb's book of Life.

Sister Gilbert, in her early widowhood, with her two little children, will have the sympathy and prayers of a large circle of friends.

The funeral services were held at Wesley Chapel, on Susquehanna Circuit, in the midst of his family and the friends of his youth, and were conducted by Rev. C. McF. Thompson.

REV. ISAAC TUNNELL ADKINS

Was the son of Stanton Adkins, of Worcester county, Md., and was born February 1, 1809. He was converted to God in his 17th year, at a camp-meeting held near the Maryland line, in Sussex county, Del., in October, 1826, and united with the M. E. Church.

His father died while he was young, and his opportunities of education in early life were very limited, so that all his attainments in this respect were the result of his own industry and application in after life. In a manuscript, written by himself, now lying before me—from which most of the facts in this paper have been gleaned—he says: "What education I have I received from God by prayer and a faithful application of my mind to hard study while burning the candle until midnight and after on many occasions, with what little leisure time I could get in the daytime. In this way I struggled on, studying and cultivating my mind the best I could under the circumstances, until 1835, when I was received into the Philadelphia Conference (M. E. C.) on trial, and sent to Dorchester Circuit with Rev. Daniel Lambden. He was kind to me, and so were all the friends, many of whom long since, I have no doubt, have gone to the 'better land,' where I hope by grace to meet them."

In 1836 he traveled Talbot Circuit, and in 1837 Accomac Circuit, in Virginia.

The following year he did not travel. Why, it is not stated; but in 1839 he was again in the field, and traveled Worcester Mission. He did not travel again until 1844, when he was appointed to Georgetown Circuit, in his native county. From this time he remained in a local sphere until 1848, when he was sent to Annamesssex Circuit, and the following year again to Worcester. Here he dropped out of the regular work, and did not travel again until 1857, when, for a short time, he labored on Milton Circuit, and the following year was sent to Snow Hill Circuit.

This closed up his itinerancy in the M. E. Church, although, as he himself says, he continued to labor on the Sabbath, "about as regularly" as the itinerant preachers. "In this way," he further says, "I continued to exercise myself until the war was inaugurated, and the Philadelphia Conference passed resolutions indorsing the war, and pledged their prayers, &c., to carry it on, when I withdrew in February [1863, I suppose, although it is not stated] after a membership of 36 years. I remained out of church-fellowship until July [following], when I united with the Methodist Protestant Church."

In 1865 he commenced his itinerant career in the Methodist Protestant Church, and continued the work, with the exception of one year, up to 1878, during which he traveled the following charges, viz: Millsborough, one year; Tyas-kin, one year; Lower Sussex, two years; Milton, one year; Heathsville, two years; Accomac, two years; Chincoteague, two years; Potomac, one year. In the Spring of 1879, his health failing him, he was placed, by vote of Conference, on the superannuated list; and his health continuing feeble, he did not return again to the active work.

In July last he was attacked with bilious fever, which in a short time took on the form of typhoid malaria, and for twelve weary weeks he lingered, sometimes hopeful of recovery, and then worse again. Finally paralysis supervened, affecting the left side, and then involving the brain, rendering him entirely insensible for five days and nights, when death came to his relief.

He died at his own residence in Sussex county, Del., October 19, 1881. Bro. J. S. Leilich officiated at his funeral, preaching from Heb. iv. 9, after which he was laid in the family burying ground—his dust to mingle with the kindred dust already gathered there.

Bro. Adkins was a deeply pious man, humble and unobtrusive in his manner, and of a sweet, tender spirit that always impressed you with the thought, how near he lived to the blessed Saviour, and how well he copied his beautiful example. He was an acceptable preacher, industrious and devoted to the duties of his high calling, and always improved his work. His sorrowing companion, in a letter to the writer, says of him: "A more conscientious Christian I never knew. He needed no dying testimony, for he left a living one. His works did not die when he died; but are as bread cast upon the waters, that shall be gathered after many days." He leaves a wife and seven children to mourn his loss. May God in mercy comfort the stricken ones—especially the lone widow—and may they all meet again where parting is no more! Amen!

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Home Missionary Society of the Maryland Annual Conference met in Broadway Church, March 9th, at 10 A. M. J. T. Murray, President, pro tem., and J. L. Mills, Secretary, pro tem.

The following officers were elected: President, J. T. Murray; 1st V. President, J. L. Mills; 2d V. P., J. D. Kinzer; Treasurer, A. W. Mather; Secretary, F. T. Tagg. Board of Managers—Pastor West Baltimore, pastor Starr Church, pastor Washington-Street, A. W. Mather, H. F. Zollickoffer, J. G. Clarke, G. H. Erdman, W. J. C. Dulany.

On motion of W. S. Hammond, it was ordered that the Society hereafter pay the travelling expenses of such members of the Board as do not reside in the city.

The Society then adjourned,

J. L. MILLS, Secretary, pro tem.

SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY.

Society met, with the President, T. D. Valiant, in the chair.
The report from the Treasurer was received and adopted.

SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY, WITH H. F. ZOLLICKOFFER, TREASURER.

1881.	INVESTMENT ACCOUNT.	
March 5.	By balance reported to Board and Conference.....	\$18.63
" 31.	By cash from S. A. Fund Steward.....	309.75
Oct. 21.	By cash, legacy from Nicholas Owens, deceased, (tax off)...	585.00
1882. Jan. 11.	By cash from sale of \$87.50 Va. Midland Scrip....	100.40
" 14.	By cash from sale of \$700 Va. Midland Stock.....	803.25
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		\$1,817.03
1882.	Dr.	
Jan. 14.	To cash paid for \$1,000 Atlanta and Charlotte R. R. 1st Mortgage Bond, guaranteed by the Richmond and Danville R. R. Co....	\$1,101.25
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	Balance uninvested.....	\$715.78

Of this uninvested balance, the amount received under the will of the late Nicholas Owens (\$585) is held subject to said bequest being legalized by an act of Assembly, as provided by the Constitution of Maryland. A bill is now before the Legislature, and will doubtless become a law. A similar bill is also before the Legislature legalizing a bequest of \$300, under the will of Miss Turpin, late of Centreville, Md. I would also report that the Orange, Alexandria and Manassas Railroad, since my last annual report, was consolidated with other roads under the name of the Virginia Midland Railway Company. In lieu of the \$7,500 bonds of the Orange, Alexandria and Manassas Co. held by the Society, the new consolidated company issued to us the same amount of Va. Midland 5th Series Bonds, bearing 5 per cent. interest, and having the same security as the old bonds. Also \$787.50 Stock and Scrip, and \$250 cash, which cash is embraced in the amount reported for distribution.

All of which is respectfully submitted. H. F. ZOLLICKOFFER, Treasurer.

SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY WITH H. F. ZOLLICKOFFER, TREASURER.		
1882. March 6.	By cash collected for distribution from March 1st, 1881, to March 1st, 1882, viz: Dividends on Railroad Stocks.....	\$824.75
	Dividends on Bank Stocks.....	48.00
	Interest on City Stock, less taxes.....	597.65
	Interest on Railroad Bonds.....	1,657.50
	Sundry Ground Rents.....	526.85
	Collections from E. J. Shoemaker (2 years).....	166.92
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		\$3,821.67
1881.	Dr.	
May 7.	To Cash paid for collecting E. J. Shoemaker's Check....	\$0.25
Aug. 20.	To Cash paid Safety Vault for 1 year.....	10.00
1882. Feb. 8.	To Cash paid Taxes on Balt. & Ohio R.R. Bonds..	68.50
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		\$78.75
	Total amount for distribution.....	\$3,742.92
1881. Sept. 19.	To Cash paid Rev. J. E. Maloy, Steward.....	\$1,500.00
1882. March 6.	To Cash per Check to order of S. F. Steward....	2,242.92
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		\$3,742.92

I also beg to report that the Marietta & Cincinnati, and Annapolis & Elk Ridge R. R. Bonds have not paid any interest during the year. This has been the case for several years past. It is, however, expected that both will be satisfactorily arranged within the next twelve months, and the interest thereafter be regularly paid. The increased amount for distribution this year over that of previous years, is in part attributable to the fact that Orange, Alexandria & Manassas Bonds paid their arrearage of interest in part, and the amount is embraced in the above account. These Bonds have been changed into Fifth Series of Virginia Midland Bonds. All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. F. ZOLLICKOFFER, Treasurer.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: J. K. Nichols, 1st Vice President; F. T. Tagg, 2d Vice President; W. R. Graham, Secretary; A. W. Mather, Corresponding Secretary. Board of Managers—E. J. Drinkhouse, C. H. Littleton, R. S. Rowe, J. D. Kinzer, H. F. Zollickoffer, J. G. Clarke, C. T. Gibson, C. A. Benjamin.

The Corresponding Secretary presented a bill of \$1.99 for postage and stationery, which was ordered to be paid.

On motion, Society adjourned.

W. R. GRAHAM, Secretary.

FINANCIAL REPORT, I.
COLLECTIONS FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1882.

CHARGES.	Bible.	College.	Conference	Ministerial Education.	Superannu'd F. Society.	Tract.	Home and F. Missions.
Accomac	\$1.50	\$2.00	\$1.25	\$2.00	\$5.00	\$1.15	\$8.00
Alexandria	1.50	3.00	2.00	3.00	5.00	25	10.00
Amelia			1.00	1.06	5.60		
Anne Arundel ...	1.65	9.00	2.10	7.70	13.54		7.50
Baltimore	1.00	5.00	2.00	5.00	10.00	1.00	10.00
Bedford	1.00	2.00	1.10	3.20	10.00	50	6.00
Belair	1.80	10.00	2.70	6.69	28.00	1.15	8.00
Broadway	1.25	3.00	2.00	3.00	6.75		10.00
Campbell	1.00	5.00	1.00	2.00	2.00		2.00
Caroline	3.00	3.00	2.00	5.00	7.00	2.00	10.00
Cecil	2.00	3.00	1.50	7.00	8.00	1.00	15.00
Centreville	5.00	5.00	1.00	5.00	25.00	3.75	25.00
Chesapeake	1.20	1.72	2.42	1.71	11.30	2.16	2.40
Chestertown	2.82	2.75	2.50	6.10	38.00		21.86
Clayton	1.08	59	1.46	1.41	2.00	1.00	1.87
Concord	2.00	3.00	1.70	10.54	15.00	1.00	11.81
Crumpton	1.00	6.60	1.00	15.00	3.01	75	15.00
Cumberland	1.55	2.66	1.50	2.58	6.20	40	2.55
Deer Creek	50	1.10	1.21	3.41	3.67		2.42
Dorchester	1.00	2.00	2.00	5.00	5.00	50	5.00
East Baltimore ...	50	3.00	1.00	18.50	8.50	50	49.50
Easton	3.50	12.00	3.00	10.23	45.17	1.27	10.00
Ellicott City	1.00	1.24	30	34	1.69	46	2.86
Eutaw	8.00	5.00	2.00	5.00	14.95		11.94
Fawn Grove	2.00	3.00	1.00	13.00	10.00	1.00	7.00
Finksburg	75	2.00	2.00	4.00	9.50	1.00	3.50
First Ch., Pittsb'h.					10.00		
First Ch., Wash...	1.40	5.00	1.65	5.00	7.00		7.00
Franklin City ...	1.00	1.00	50	1.00	3.50	50	2.00
Frederick	5.00	6.00	3.02	16.00	11.25		20.00
Georgetown		14.31	4.00	14.40	25.91		26.22
Hampden	3.41	1.00	1.00	2.00	5.00	1.00	4.00
Harper's Ferry ...							
Harrington	4.00	4.40	2.50	4.40	5.00	2.00	4.00
Heathsville			2.00	5.54	14.58		
Howard	5.00	15.00	4.50	10.00	34.36		20.00
Hull-Street	2.64		1.00	1.22	1.50		2.14
Jefferson	4.00	11.17	2.46	6.00	14.16		50.56
Kennedyville	1.16	2.25	1.00	4.10	1.75	45	11.50
Kent Island		2.00	1.00	4.45	6.00		6.00
Laurel		1.00	55	1.18	5.43	46	4.00
Leipsic	50	1.00	45	1.50	2.00	25	6.25
Liberty	2.50	5.85	2.30	9.00	5.45	1.00	17.00
Lynchburg	15.00	7.00	5.00	26.00	28.50		25.35
Middleway		1.00	50	1.00	3.50		4.00
Milton	2.60	2.01	51	1.01	4.60	62	2.03
Montgomery					7.00		
Newark	9.00		2.00	9.25	12.00		50.13
Ninth-Street	3.00	13.90	4.83	4.00	4.14	1.00	13.80
Pipe Creek	4.00		4.00	7.00	15.00		9.00
Pocomoke	1.50	1.75	1.10	4.75	5.00	1.25	11.00

FINANCIAL REPORT, I.
COLLECTIONS FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1882.

Home Missions.	President's Salary.	Pastor's Salary.	Assistant's Salary.	Amount Paid.	Received from other Sources.	Total amo't contributed by each Charge.
\$7.00	\$15 00	\$400.00		\$400.00		\$442.90
25.00	25.00	500.00		500 00	+\$100.00	574.75
		300.00		150 00	+\$150.00	157.66
25.00	30.00	675.00	\$275.00	950.00		1,046.49
10.00	36.50	600.00	200.00	574 91		655.41
14.50	35.00	470.00		470.00		543. 0
19.00	32.00	700.00		600.00		709.34
11.00	15.00	357.00		357.00	20.00	429.00
5.00	10.00	200 00		126.54	25.00	154.54
15.00	50.00	450 00	260.00	664.00		761.00
15.00	30.00	600.00		600.00		682.50
42.00	40.00	700.00		700.00		851.75
17.69	25.00	500.00		475.00		530.60
53.38	35.00	700.00		700.00		860.41
2.05	20.00	425.00		425.00		456.46
15.00	25.00	460.00		460.00	70.00	544.95
15.00	15.00	350.00		350.00	+\$100.00	422.36
20.00	25.00	528.00		528.00		590.47
13.07	3.50	400.00		411.00		429.88
10 00	35.00	550.00	250.00	700 00		765.50
40.00	40.00	800.00		1,000.00		1,131.50
37.25	40 00	800 00		800.00		963.42
5.50	10 00	350 00		235.55		258.94
19.00	18.50	500.00		500.00		584.39
10.00	30.00	635.00		635 00		712.00
9.00	40.00	550.00	150.00	700 00		763.00
						10.00
15.00	25.00	800.00		800 00		867.05
4.00	20.00	400.00		380.00		413.50
24.00	50.00	600 00	200.00	706.23		841.50
*	39 82	1,200.00	440.00	1,640.00		1,764.66
10.00	20.00	600.00		389.62		437.03
	10 00					
10.00	10 00	100 00		100.00	+\$150.00	146.30
		500.00		502.63		524.75
30.50	45.00	600.00	200.00	782.21		942.07
5.68	1 58	150.00		151.55	+\$150.00	167.31
50.55	40.00	600.00	*50.00	600.00		828.90
15.00	15.00	250.00		155.52		208.73
3 63	20.00	400.00		400.00		443.07
5.00	25.00	600.00		687 00		729.62
5.00	15.00	350.00		210 00		241.95
17.50	40.00	500 00		500.00		600.60
22.45	46.25	1,000.00		1,000.00		1,185.55
13.25	15.00	300 00		292.00	15.00	330.25
5.35	20.00	500.00		500.00		538.73
						7.00
16.01	60.00	1,500.00		1,500 00		1,658.89
24.50	35.00	800.00		800.00	10.00	901.92
11.00	40.00	600.00		600 00		690.00
8.00	25.00	300.00		341.00		391.35

FINANCIAL REPORT, I.
COLLECTIONS FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1883—CONTINUED.

CHARGES.	Bible.	College.	Conference.	Ministerial Education.	Superannu'd F. Society.	Tract.	Home and F. Missions.
Pocomoke City...	\$2.50	\$7.75	\$4.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$1.00	\$12.31
Potomac.....	3.00	4.00	1.00	4.00	5.00	1.00	12.50
Preston.....	25	50	40	25	2 00	10	50
Quantico.....	1.00	.....	1.00	.....	4.00	.....	2.00
Queen Anne's....	50	11.60	1.50	11.60	10.00	50	11.60
Rainsburg.....	60	.....	1.00	1.00	2 00	.....	.....
Rowlandsville....	1.10	2.00	1.00	2.00	5.00	.....	3.00
St. James.....	2.00	5.00	2.00	5.00	45.00	.....	5.00
St. John's.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	200.00
St. Luke's.....	2 55	.....	5.50	6.00	9.15	2.55	5.45
St. Michael's....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Salisbury.....	1 00	2.87	1.80	3.06	3.60	70	18.48
Seaford.....	70	1.72	1.06	2.60	3.15	50	3.12
Snow Hill.....	1.03	2.30	50	86	3.00	.....	2.70
Somerset.....	2.30	10 40	1.25	10.25	21.55	13.25	35.00
South Baltimore..	.....	.....	1.00	4.79	7.00	.....	10.00
Southside.....	50	2.00	75	1.68	1.50	25	10.80
Starr.....	5.00	35.00	3.50	35.00	46.00	5.00	28.00
Stewartstown....	2.00	5.00	2.00	11.00	6.50	2.00	15.00
Surry.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....
Susquehanna.....	.....	2.50	2 50	5.00	10.00	.....	15.00
Sussex.....	1.60	2.95	65	2.38	2 10	.....	5.70
Talbot.....	3 00	3.00	3.36	6.60	11.00	3.36	7.00
Union.....	1.00	.....	1.50	3.00	5.00	.....	4 00
Warwick.....	50	1.34	50	1.00	6 88	.....	3.25
Washington-St...	2 17	1.70	1.35	1.28	5.57	1.65	2.00
West Baltimore..	7.89	17.61	3.00	33.36	31.00	22.21	92.00
Westminster.....	13.00	9.81	3.50	17.01	20.83	1.00	85.50
Whaleyville.....	78	3.82	2.00	5.10	2 10	1.01	15 10
Wilmington.....	50	3.10	63	3 10	2.25	.....	3.10
Berkeley, S. C....	3 00	.....	2 25	5.00	.....	.....	2.25
Charleston, S. C..	1.00	8.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	4.00
Unexp. balance..	.....	.....	5.38	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mrs. T. A. Reese.	200.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	\$371.18	\$338.19	\$145.49	\$473.10	\$826.69	\$86.45	\$969.55

*Georgetown pays \$200 to a Home Missionary.

†For local supply.

‡Missionary appropriation.

Sunday-School contributions to H. and F. Missions: Buckeystown (Jefferson Circuit), \$43.44; West Baltimore, \$32; Middleway, \$2; Salisbury, \$16; Westminster, \$40.

FINANCIAL REPORT, I.
COLLECTIONS FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1882—CONTINUED.

Home Missions.	President's Salary.	Pastor's Salary.	Assistant's Salary.	Amount Paid.	Received from other Sources.	Total amount contributed by each Charge.
\$30.00	\$40.00	\$700.00	.....	\$700.00	.....	\$817.56
12.00	15.00	300.00	.....	260.00	+\$50.00	317.50
1.64	15 00	300.00	.....	300.00	.....	320.64
2.00	8 50	300 00	.....	190.00	.....	270.00
35.00	25 00	450.00	.....	450.00	25.00	557.30
.....	15.00	240 00	.....	205.00	.....	224.60
8.50	15.00	400.00	.....	400.00	.....	437.60
50.00	35.00	650.00	.....	650.00	60.00	809.00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00
5.10	20 00	1,000.00	.....	1,000.00	.....	1,056.30
.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7.60	15.00	400.00	.....	400.00	+\$100.00	454.11
17.15	25.00	500.00	.....	484.50	.....	539.50
9.00	15 00	300.00	.....	290.00	+\$200.00	324.39
13.00	30.00	775.00	.....	777.00	.....	914.00
.....	25.00	600.00	.....	600.00	.....	647.79
1.00	5.00	305 00	.....	123.85	.....	147.33
100.00	50 00	1,200.00	.....	1,200.00	.....	1,507.50
30.00	30.00	700.00	.....	700 00	.....	803.50
5.00	5 00	300.00	.....	300.00	.....	312.00
35.00	35.00	600.00	.....	527.87	.....	632.87
9.91	10.00	310.00	.....	310.00	+\$150.00	334.69
18 00	30.00	700.00	.....	700.00	.....	785.32
4.00	25.00	500.00	.....	500.00	.....	518.50
8.50	45.00	700.00	.....	645.68	.....	712.65
8.46	12.25	800.00	.....	711.64	25.00	748.07
41.50	50.00	1,000.00	.....	1,000.00	.....	1,299.27
39.69	50.00	900.00	.....	900.00	.....	1,140.34
17.20	40.00	450.00	\$165.00	540.95	.....	628.06
2.00	10 00	150.00	.....	60.00	+\$250.00	84.68
2.50	10 00	296 00	.....	296.00	.....	321.00
1.00	10.00	348.19	.....	348.19	.....	376.19
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.38
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200.00
\$1,265.10	\$1,968.15	\$42 324.19	\$2,390.93	\$43 472.59	\$1,650.00	\$48,081.09

Amount of Conference Collection this year..... \$145.49

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By cash paid (deficiency in the publication of last year's Minutes) by order of Conference..... \$12.30

By cash paid for Stationery, &c..... 4.25

By cash paid Secretary for the publication of this year's Minutes..... 128.94

\$145.49

FINANCIAL REPORT, II.
ASSESSMENTS FOR YEAR BEGINNING MARCH, 1882.

CHARGES.	Bible.	College.	Conference.	Ministerial. Education.	Superannuated Fund.	Tract.	Home and Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	President's Salary.
Accomac.....	Col.	\$23.00	Col.	\$23.00	8.00	Col.	\$13.00	\$25.00	\$15.00
Alexandria.....	Col.	19.00	Col.	19.00	10.00	Col.	17.00	25.00	20.00
All Saints.....	Col.	5.00	Col.	5.00	.....	Col.	.....	.....	.....
Amelia.....	Col.	6.00	Col.	6.00	5.00	Col.	10.00	.....	10.00
Anne Arundel..	Col.	23.00	Col.	23.00	15.00	Col.	26.00	35.00	30.00
Baltimore.....	Col.	27.00	Col.	27.00	20.00	Col.	35.00	35.00	40.00
Bedford.....	Col.	14.00	Col.	14.00	18.00	Col.	30.00	45.00	35.00
Belair.....	Col.	18.00	Col.	18.00	20.00	Col.	35.00	55.00	40.00
Broadway.....	Col.	10.00	Col.	10.00	8.00	Col.	13.00	10.00	15.00
Cambridge.....	Col.	10.00	Col.	10.00	9.00	Col.	16.00	15.00	18.00
Campbell.....	Col.	6.00	Col.	6.00	5.00	Col.	10.00	15.00	10.00
Caroline.....	Col.	41.00	Col.	41.00	25.00	Col.	45.00	45.00	50.00
Cecil.....	Col.	20.00	Col.	20.00	20.00	Col.	35.00	45.00	40.00
Centreville.....	Col.	13.00	Col.	13.00	20.00	Col.	35.00	60.00	40.00
Chesapeake.....	Col.	9.00	Col.	9.00	13.00	Col.	22.00	25.00	25.00
Chester.....	Col.	10.00	Col.	10.00	5.00	Col.	10.00	10.00	10.00
Chestertown...	Col.	17.00	Col.	17.00	20.00	Col.	35.00	70.00	40.00
Chincoteague...	Col.	5.00	Col.	5.00	3.00	Col.	5.00	.....	5.00
Clayton.....	Col.	18.00	Col.	18.00	10.00	Col.	18.00	30.00	20.00
Concord.....	Col.	14.00	Col.	14.00	13.00	Col.	22.00	20.00	25.00
Crumpton.....	Col.	6.00	Col.	6.00	8.00	Col.	13.00	15.00	15.00
Cumberland....	Col.	16.00	Col.	16.00	13.00	Col.	22.00	30.00	25.00
Deer Creek.....	Col.	11.00	Col.	11.00	8.00	Col.	13.00	20.00	15.00
Dorchester.....	Col.	25.00	Col.	25.00	9.00	Col.	16.00	25.00	18.00
East Baltimore.	Col.	19.00	Col.	19.00	20.00	Col.	35.00	60.00	40.00
Easton.....	Col.	17.00	Col.	17.00	20.00	Col.	35.00	70.00	40.00
Ellicott City...	Col.	8.00	Col.	8.00	5.00	Col.	10.00	15.00	10.00
Eutaw.....	Col.	9.00	Col.	9.00	10.00	Col.	18.00	30.00	20.00
Fawn Grove...	Col.	31.00	Col.	31.00	15.00	Col.	26.00	35.00	30.00
Finksburg.....	Col.	30.00	Col.	30.00	20.00	Col.	35.00	40.00	40.00
First Ch., Pittsb.	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
First Ch., Wash.	Col.	16.00	Col.	16.00	13.00	Col.	22.00	45.00	25.00
Franklin City..	Col.	18.00	Col.	18.00	8.00	Col.	13.00	15.00	15.00
Frederick.....	Col.	54.00	Col.	54.00	25.00	Col.	45.00	60.00	50.00
Frederick City..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Georgetown....	Col.	31.00	Col.	31.00	35.00	Col.	60.00	.....	70.00
Guilford.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hampden.....	Col.	18.00	Col.	18.00	10.00	Col.	18.00	25.00	20.00
Harper's Ferry.	Col.	10.00	Col.	10.00	5.00	Col.	10.00	10.00	10.00
Harrington.....	Col.	10.00	Col.	10.00	8.00	Col.	13.00	12.50	15.00
Heathsville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.00	Col.	13.00	.....	15.00
Howard.....	Col.	37.00	Col.	37.00	23.00	Col.	40.00	45.00	45.00
Hull-Street....	Col.	5.00	Col.	5.00	8.00	Col.	10.00	10.00	10.00
Indian River...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jackson Grove.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jefferson.....	Col.	10.00	Col.	10.00	20.00	Col.	35.00	50.00	40.00
Kennedyville...	Col.	13.00	Col.	13.00	8.00	Col.	13.00	20.00	15.00
Kent Island....	Col.	10.00	Col.	10.00	10.00	Col.	18.00	20.00	20.00
Laurel.....	Col.	11.00	Col.	11.00	13.00	Col.	22.00	35.00	25.00

FINANCIAL REPORT, II.—CONTINUED.
ASSESSMENTS FOR YEAR BEGINNING MARCH, 1882.

CHARGES.	Bible.	College.	Conference.	Ministerial Education.	Superannuated Fund.	Tract.	Home and Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	President's Salary.
Leipsic.....	Col.	\$8.00	Col.	\$8.00	\$5.00	Col.	\$10.00	\$20.00	\$10.00
Liberty.....	Col.	18.00	Col.	18.00	20.00	Col.	35.00	45.00	40.00
Lynchburg.....	Col.	24.00	Col.	24.00	28.00	Col.	50.00	50.00	55.00
Middlebrook.....									
Middleway.....	Col.	10.00	Col.	10.00	8.00	Col.	13.00	15.00	15.00
Milton.....	Col.	26.00	Col.	26.00	10.00	Col.	18.00	25.00	20.00
Montgomery.....					10.00				
Newark.....	Col.	40.00	Col.	40.00	30.00	Col.	52.00	70.00	60.00
Ninth-Street....	Col.	15.00	Col.	15.00	18.00	Col.	30.00	30.00	35.00
N. Carolina Ave.....									
Pipe Creek.....	Col.	29.00	Col.	29.00	20.00	Col.	35.00	65.00	40.00
Pittsville.....	Col.	20.00	Col.	20.00	10.00	Col.	18.00	20.00	20.00
Pocomoke.....	Col.	20.00	Col.	20.00	13.00	Col.	22.00	30.00	25.00
Pocomoke City.....	Col.	22.00	Col.	22.00	20.00	Col.	35.00	45.00	40.00
Potomac.....	Col.	6.00	Col.	6.00	5.00	Col.	10.00	12.50	10.00
Powellville.....	Col.	20.00	Col.	20.00	10.00	Col.	18.00	15.00	20.00
Preston.....	Col.	15.00	Col.	15.00	8.00	Col.	13.00	20.00	15.00
Quantico.....	Col.	12.00	Col.	12.00	10.00	Col.	18.00	20.00	20.00
Queen Anne's....	Col.	14.00	Col.	14.00	13.00	Col.	22.00	40.00	25.00
Rainsburg.....	Col.	5.00	Col.	5.00	8.00	Col.	13.00	18.00	15.00
Rowlandsville....	Col.	22.00	Col.	22.00	8.00	Col.	13.00	18.00	15.00
St. James.....	Col.	9.00	Col.	9.00	20.00	Col.	35.00	60.00	40.00
St. Luke's.....	Col.	15.00	Col.	15.00	10.00	Col.	18.00	25.00	20.00
St. Michael's....	Col.	8.00	Col.	8.00	10.00	Col.	18.00	25.00	20.00
Salisbury.....	Col.	12.00	Col.	12.00	8.00	Col.	13.00	12.50	15.00
Seaford.....	Col.	14.00	Col.	14.00	13.00	Col.	22.00	25.00	25.00
Snow Hill.....	Col.	13.00	Col.	13.00	5.00	Col.	10.00	25.00	10.00
Somerset.....	Col.	35.00	Col.	35.00	18.00	Col.	30.00	45.00	35.00
South Baltimore..	Col.	13.00	Col.	13.00	13.00	Col.	22.00	35.00	25.00
Southside.....	Col.	8.00	Col.	8.00	3.00	Col.	5.00		5.00
Starr.....	Col.	29.00	Col.	29.00	25.00	Col.	45.00	125.00	50.00
Stewartstown....	Col.	27.00	Col.	27.00	15.00	Col.	26.00	35.00	30.00
Surry.....	Col.	15.00	Col.	15.00	5.00	Col.	10.00	25.00	10.00
Susquehanna....	Col.	15.00	Col.	15.00	18.00	Col.	30.00	45.00	35.00
Sussex.....	Col.	10.00	Col.	10.00	5.00	Col.	10.00	12.50	10.00
Talbot.....	Col.	22.00	Col.	22.00	15.00	Col.	26.00	45.00	30.00
Union.....	Col.	30.00	Col.	30.00	13.00	Col.	22.00	30.00	25.00
Warwick.....	Col.	20.00	Col.	20.00	23.00	Col.	40.00	60.00	45.00
Washington-St..	Col.	16.00	Col.	16.00	13.00	Col.	22.00	30.00	25.00
West Baltimore..	Col.	21.00	Col.	21.00	28.00	Col.	50.00	60.00	55.00
Westminster....	Col.	21.00	Col.	21.00	25.00	Col.	45.00	85.00	50.00
Williamsport.....									
Wilmington....	Col.	6.00	Col.	6.00	5.00	Col.	10.00	5.00	10.00
Berkeley, S. C... Charleston, S. C.	Col.	10.00	Col.	10.00	5.00	Col.	10.00		10.00
	Col.	10.00	Col.	10.00	5.00	Col.	10.00		10.00

STATISTICS.

CHARGES.	Members.	Probationers.	Received.	Deceased.	Withdrawn.	Removed.	Discontinued.	Increase.	Decrease.	Parsonages.	Churches.
Accomac.....	223	1	8	2	...	...	...	7	...	...	2
Alexandria.....	183	2	5	5	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
All Saints.....	43	1	7	...	...	...	1	7	...	...	1
Amelia.....	53	5	24	3	...	...	...	21	...	...	1
Anne Arundel.....	224	1	62	3	...	40	44	...	20	1	6
Baltimore.....	270	...	34	2	3	...	33	...	4	1	6
Bedford.....	136	...	10	...	...	...	...	10	...	1	5
Belair.....	171	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	3	1	5
Broadway.....	97	...	17	...	3	4	4	6	...	1	1
Cambridge.....	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Campbell.....	61	...	1	1	2	1	6	...	10	...	3
Caroline.....	410	18	30	4	...	12	10	4	...	1	8
Cecil.....	200	9	9	2	...	4	40	...	22	1	5
Centreville.....	121	2	8	4	...	...	...	3	...	1	1
Chesapeake.....	87	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	2
Chester.....	24	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chestertown.....	165	15	6	5	6	6	8	...	8	1	1
Chincoteague.....	50	11	...	...	...	1	1	...	2	...	1
Clayton.....	173	22	2	...	...	2	...	22	...	...	3
Concord.....	135	10	3	2	...	...	...	11	...	1	4
Crumpton.....	54	2	4	2	5	8	8	...	12	...	2
Cumberland.....	152	3	25	2	9	1	8	5	...	1	1
Deer Creek.....	105	14	17	2	2	...	...	15	...	1	2
Dorchester.....	327	...	24	4	...	...	...	19	...	1	7
East Baltimore.....	188	1	17	2	...	9	3	3	...	...	1
Easton.....	163	4	13	...	...	2	...	11	...	1	1
Ellicott City.....	72	2	6	1	...	1	...	4	...	...	1
Eutaw.....	82	7	10	2	...	...	11	6	...	1	1
Fawn Grove.....	306	...	...	4	9	...	17	...	30	1	4
Finksburg.....	295	68	2	8	5	...	62	...	75	...	7
First Church.....	158	1	9	...	8	...	5	...	6	...	1
Franklin City.....	180	4	23	2	...	...	1	20	...	1	4
Frederick.....	531	8	23	9	1	1	...	18	...	1	8
Frederick City.....	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Georgetown.....	307	3	24	6	...	1	...	34	...	1	2
Guilford.....	33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Hampden.....	180	8	47	1	8	33	46	...	33	1	1
Harper's Ferry.....	94	...	2	1	...	2	1	2	...	...	1
Harrington.....	96	2	54	1	...	...	...	52	...	...	1
Howard.....	362	...	28	5	6	8	7	2	...	1	8½
Hull-Street.....	42	19	30	1	3	3	...	25	...	...	1
Jefferson.....	100	1	21	...	4	...	...	18	...	1	4
Kennedyville.....	123	...	1	1	1	...	5	...	6	...	1
Kent Island.....	94	...	...	3	...	...	26	...	59	1	2
Laurel.....	105	3	...	2	...	6	12	...	20	...	2
Leipsic.....	77	...	4	...	1	...	12	...	12	...	1
Liberty.....	180	6	7	2	2	3	...	...	1	1	4
Lynchburg.....	233	2	5	5	2	1	3	...	5	...	1
Middlebrook.....	125	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Middleway.....	93	27	7	1	3	9	7	...	22	...	1
Milton.....	260	57	46	1	3	...	...	42	...	1	3

STATISTICS.

Church Periodicals.	Value of Church Property.	Amount of Church Debts.	Number of Sun- day Schools.	Officers.	Teachers.	Scholars.	M. P. Papers Taken.	Other S. S. Papers Taken.	Volumes in Library.	Conversions.
19	\$3,900.00	.....	1	5	15	90	94	.....	700	9
19	8,000.00	.....	1	6	18	141	100	200	445	...
6	3,000.00	.....	3	5	10	90	20	.....	150	6
8	1,200.00	.....	1	5	10	71	50	.....	.....	6
.....	14,000.00	\$300.00	4	13	30	240	30	50	300	...
12	2,780.00	.....	7	21	60	360	100	75	517	20
14	7,000.00	725.00	5	25	30	200	150	50	450	2
12	8,000.00	.....	4	16	16	177	200	.....	150	6
4	20,000.00	10,000.00	1	7	11	125	90	.....	325	...
.....	3,000.00	400.00	1	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	...
6	1,200.00	.....	1	5	7	41	.....	.....	70	...
27	13,000.00	200.00	8	31	66	450	160	.....	800	7
20	11,200.00	150.00	4	13	38	437	100	.....	1,130	...
.....	10,000.00	.....	1	4	15	115	75	70	200	...
16	7,000.00	.....	2	9	14	123	133	15	255	...
.....
32	7,000.00	.....	1	6	32	200	150	.....	600	...
.....	500.00	.....	1	3	8	50	.....	.....	100	...
12	4,000.00	500.00	3	13	15	165	.....	.....	470	4
22	8,055.00	.....	3	10	18	125	100	.....	150	...
6	2,700.00	250.00	2	10	21	145	50	.....	300	2
22	10,075.00	.....	1	8	19	159	120	.....	180	11
5	4,200.00	600.00	2	10	14	152	35	.....	220	8
16	13,600.00	.....	4	12	32	150	.....	.....	475	...
20	22,000.00	.....	1	6	18	178	210	.....	450	4
33	11,000.00	.....	1	4	18	169	125	25	800	2
3	1,000.00	.....	1	8	11	81	15	.....	180	6
11	5,260.00	1,500.00	1	3	9	96	75	20	.....	4
66	5,000.00	.....	5	25	35	465	571	.....	695	5
.....	10,000.00	700.00	6	24	48	500	200	.....	1,200	80
10	10,000.00	1,350.00	1	6	13	165	125	.....	350	...
10	3,500.00	425.00	3	9	18	150	100	30	.....	...
25	14,000.00	.....	8	33	61	479	120	.....	1,112	9
.....	3,000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
.....	40,000.00	.....	2	17	20	300	300	.....	700	10
.....	3,000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
8	9,200.00	700.00	1	9	23	306	250	6	100	10
6	6,000.00	.....	1	6	18	140	.....	110	300	...
12	2,000.00	.....	2	9	12	95	50	.....	20	7
47	11,900.00	.....	7	30	45	470	215	.....	975	...
1	1,000.00	54.00	1	3	10	80	75	.....	150	25
23	10,000.00	.....	2	8	26	221	75	.....	400	9
7	3,000.00	.....	1	6	14	90	125	8	510	...
11	8,100.00	.....	2	4	7	50	70	.....	225	...
19	6,000.00	.....	1	5	17	110	75	.....	265	...
5	3,000.00	.....	1	6	7	112	100	.....	.....	...
20	9,000.00	.....	4	22	44	290	225	17	1,025	6
17	14,000.00	.....	1	5	20	130	125	.....	300	1
.....	1,500.00	600.00	1	4	8	50	.....	.....	.....	...
6	1,200.00	.....	2	8	18	130	40	.....	240	13
6	4,800.00	175.00	3	9	28	320	75	50	700	10

STATISTICS—CONTINUED.

CHARGES.	Members.	Probationers.	Received.	Deceased.	Withdrawn.	Removed.	Discontinued.	Increase.	Decrease.	Parsonages.	Churches.
Newark	399	21	71	5	12	....	15	68	....	1	1
Ninth-Street.....	142	....	7	1	2	....	....	4	....	1	1
N. Carolina Avenue..	48	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1
Pipe Creek	290	....	19	6	7	....	....	6	....	1	3
Pocomoke.....	202	3	6	2	....	....	6	....	2	....	4
Pocomoke City.....	215	5	37	....	....	....	3	34	....	1	2
Potomac.....	60	7	10	2	....	....	9	....	1	1	2
Preston.....	145	23	2	4	1	....	26	....	29	1	2
Quantico	120	14	14	1	....	....	....	14	....	....	5
Queen Anne's.....	139	8	23	1	2	2	....	21	....	1	2
Rainsburg.....	41	9	1	1	1	2	2	4	....	....	2
Rowlandsville.....	216	15	13	3	....	1	3	6	....	....	3
St. James'	85	....	3	1	....	1	....	1	....	1	2
St. Luke's.....	142	6	18	2	....	1	....	15	....	....	1
St. Michael's.....	77	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	2
Salisbury	111	24	18	1	1	1	7	13	....	1	2
Seaford.....	137	7	1	1	2	5	....	....	8	1	3
Snow Hill.....	128	....	16	4	1	....	....	11	....	....	4
Somerset.....	350	3	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	3
South Baltimore.....	130	56	5	4	....	4	12	....	2	1	1
Southside.....	81	....	1	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	2
Starr.....	290	9	40	7	4	9	6	14	....	1	1
Stewartstown.....	266	15	12	1	....	3	16	....	17	1	3
Surry.....	150	....	3	2	....	....	....	1	....	....	2
Susquehanna.....	147	1	17	1	....	3	16	....	17	1	3
Sussex.....	93	1	....	1	1	....	3	....	5	1	3
Talbot.....	219	14	45	5	5	2	6	25	....	1	3
Union.....	291	....	35	3	1	....	....	31	....	1	3
Warwick.....	200	1	3	1	....	3	....	....	110	1	3
Washington-Street...	153	2	3	1	1	2	....	....	1	1	1
West Baltimore.....	207	15	23	....	1	11	....	11	....	....	....
Westminster.....	203	....	....	36	1	7	10	23	....	....	1
Whaleyville.....	384	....	33	2	4	1	11	4	....	1	7
Williamsport.....	75	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4
Wilmington.....	56	5	31	....	2	....	....	29	....	....	1
Total.....	14,000	604	1,185	203	138	213	525	696	539	49	220½
Report of 1881.....	13,596	648	1,152	185	144	189	567	563	408	49	205½
Gain	404	....	33	18	....	14	....	133	131	....	15½
Loss.....	....	44	....	....	6	....	42	....	....	....	....
Itinerants.....	109	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Colored.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Berkeley, S. C.....	681	215	71	8	....	....	....	42	....	....	6
Charleston, S. C.....	296	19	3	6	1	4	....	10	....	....	2
Total.....	977	234	74	14	1	4	....	52	....	....	8
Grand total.....	15,086	838	1,259	217	139	217	525	748	539	49	228½

STATISTICS—CONTINUED.

Church Periodicals.	Value of Church Property.	Amount of Church Debts.	Number of Sun- day Schools.	Officers.	Teachers.	Scholars.	M. P. Papers Taken.	Other S. S. Papers Taken.	Volumes in Library.	Conversions.
.....	\$35,000.00	\$3,300.00	1	9	30	355	200	100	700	16
37	45,000.00	7,750.00	1	8	20	160	75	50	750	...
.....	3,000.00	.....	1	5	17	100	185	.....	200	6
34	14,400.00	.....	4	20	43	282	155	.....	1,500	3
14	4,000.00	.....	2	7	15	105	31	12	50	3
28	3,000.00	.....	2	10	21	190	160	.....	380	7
5	3,600.00	.....	2	8	16	126	30	.....	300	6
8	5,200.00	278.00	2	10	16	180	.....	.....	100	18
16	5,000.00	100.00	2	8	12	165	50	.....	200	2
30	4,000.00	.....	2	10	15	125	100	.....	350	10
11	3,000.00	.....	1	7	10	70	75	.....	230	2
12	6,000.00	.....	4	20	30	300	60	.....	500	5
25	8,000.00	.....	2	11	18	105	125	25	150	...
14	8,000.00	4,000.00	1	6	31	284	480	300	.....	...
.....	4,000.00	.....	1	2	4	35	.....	.....	250	...
18	7,000.00	.....	2	8	15	135	107	.....	283	8
16	9,100.00	185.28	2	5	12	120	52	20	200	...
.....	2,800.00	150.00	3	3	15	65	.....	.....	300	...
8	3,000.00	.....	3	9	21	225	275	.....	225	...
6	21,000.00	.....	1	8	15	165	128	.....	.....	20
8	2,000.00	.....	2	7	10	90	45	.....	158	...
19	43,000.00	.....	1	7	38	391	280	100	475	8
20	9,100.00	100.00	5	23	38	268	255	40	1,039	2
16	2,000.00	.....	1	8	8	60	20	.....	.....	...
20	10,000.00	50.00	3	10	24	175	125	.....	950	11
18	3,500.00	210.00	4	5	25	200	25	.....	300	...
42	5,000.00	.....	3	19	23	236	140	40	245	12
42	6,000.00	.....	5	10	25	300	.....	.....	250	15
.....	9,000.00	.....	3	6	23	180	.....	.....	500	...
5	17,000.00	450.00	1	5	13	240	175	.....	200	2
42	14,500.00	1	10	22	260	250	490	11
.....	18,000.00	1	8	19	160	140	300	...
20	6,000.00	6	12	28	290	175	320	10
.....	4,000.00
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